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## CHAMBERLAIN SHOULD BOW TO WILL OF COUNTRY IS DEMAND OF THE NEWS-CHRONICLE: STRONG

### ONLY FACTS WILL BREAK SILENCE OF MUSSOLINI

ROME, May 9 (Reuter)—Signor Mussolini, addressing a large crowd from the balcony of the Palazzo Venezia on the occasion of Italy's Empire Day, said: "Having heard my speeches you must accustom yourselves to my silence for only facts will break it."

He added: "the great day in the history of our empire was May 9, 1936, the day of a brilliant victory."

The crowds cheered themselves hoarse and shouts of Tunisian and Corsican could be heard from the military groups.

#### PEACE OFFER DENIED

NEW YORK, May 9 (Reuter)—The Washington correspondent of the New York Times says that White House, on the authority of President Roosevelt, denied the report that the President has made a peace offer to Signor Mussolini, in the nature of a feeler, suggesting mediation.

### FOREIGN PRESS SAY VOTE WAS MORAL DEFEAT

A Reuter message from Rome states that Empire Day in Italy relegated foreign news to the back pages but Rome's two morning papers devoted many columns to the Commons debate. The vote is described as "a moral defeat for Chamberlain."

Newspapers in Stockholm devoted much space to the debate and the general opinion is that Mr. Chamberlain will not survive the storm.

A message from Amsterdam states that commentators in Berlin were jubilant yesterday at the smallness of Mr. Chamberlain's majority vote.

It appears highly probable that Britain's political troubles will be taken by Hitler to indicate that the time is ripe for fresh aggressive enterprises against "effete democracies."

"Moral defeat for Chamberlain" was how yesterday's *Algemeen Handelsblad* headed its front page on the Commons debate. That headline was echoed in other newspapers, reports Reuter from Amsterdam.

### BOUQUETS FROM GERMANY!

AMSTERDAM, May 9 (Reuter)—The first German newspapers arriving here yesterday carried brief reports of Mr. Chamberlain's speech. Some of the adjectives they apply to it are "fame, lying, and cowardly."

### Sterlet And Tarpon Casualties

LONDON, May 9 (Reuter)—The Admiralty has published a list of six officers and 35 ratings missing from H.M. submarine Sterlet and five officers and 48 ratings missing from H.M. submarine Tarpon.

Both submarines have already been reported overdue and are believed to be lost.

The Tarpon was commanded by Lieut. Commander H. J. Caldwell and the Sterlet by Lieut. Commander C. H. S. Haward.

### CABINET NEEDED WITHOUT DELAY

THE NEWS-CHRONICLE DEMANDS THAT MR. CHAMBERLAIN, PRIME MINISTER, SHOULD BOW TO THE WILL OF THE COUNTRY AND THAT A NEW AND STRONG GOVERNMENT, REPRESENTATIVE OF ALL PARTIES, BE FORMED WITHOUT UNNECESSARY DELAY.

THE DAILY MAIL says the demand now is for Government reconstruction and it must be met. The country wants a new team.

THE DAILY HERALD says Mr. Chamberlain has worked hard and selflessly. He has done his best for us but we have reached the stage at which his best will not do.

British Wireless goes on to say that newspaper comment, not only in Britain, but in Allied and neutral countries and even more notably in Germany itself, has been quick to realise that the real significance of the two days debate in the House of Commons is that intensification of Britain's war effort will result.

Most of the foreign comment was made before the announcement of the figures of the Commons' division.

Later United States comment, however, makes it clear that the outstanding lesson of the frank and fearless discussion remains unaltered by the result of the division and it is everywhere recognised that Britain has braced herself for a more resolute prosecution of the war.

The New York Times, for example, observes that the British people can be relied upon to push the war with more determination than ever and the grim, fighting spirit behind all the hot words of the debate will remain, no matter what trials the nation may be called upon to endure.

#### OPPOSITION TACTICS

There is some division of opinion in the British press regarding the tactics of the Opposition in pressing the debate to a division but none on this major question.

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### General Debate After May 21

LONDON, May 9 (Reuter)—Mr. Chamberlain had a busy morning. He did not have his usual work but spent the morning at No. 10 Downing Street consulting with his advisers, among whom was Lord Halifax, the Foreign Minister. Great crowds cheered as he departed for Parliament which met for an hour before the adjournment for the Whitsun recess.

Mr. Chamberlain answered a number of questions in the House of Commons and declared that he was prepared to have a general debate on the situation after May 21, but assured that, if necessary, the House would be called together by the Speaker before that date.

The New York Times writes: "Mr. Chamberlain's Government has won an uneasy respite after Parliamentary batters, more violent than any in its life and more severe than any of its kind in the last war."

### Nazis Rush Fresh Troops To North Norway

STOCKHOLM, May 9 (REUTER)—THREE OR FOUR GERMAN TRANSPORT PLANES ARE RUSHING FRESH TROOPS AND SUPPLIES ALL DAY TO NORTH NORWAY, according to the Svenska Dagbladet.

The newspaper says that the Germans landed parachute troops north of Bardu, 35 miles north-east of Narvik, in order to strike the Norwegian forces in the rear.

It says that German air activity has increased further and is continually bombing the Allies while small RAF units are bombing the German positions at Narvik.

The newspaper adds that the entire railway from Narvik to the Swedish frontier is still in German hands.

FURTHER LANDINGS

PARIS, May 9 (Reuter)—Further landings have taken place in Norway and the operations are continuing slowly but normally. It is stated in French military circles.

Contact has been made at all points with the Germans at Narvik who, though resisting, are gradually withdrawing before the Allied pressure.

Appalling weather conditions and poor communications, are

### NATIONAL ECONOMY SAVINGS CAMPAIGN

For the purpose of supervising and directing the promotion of the national economy savings campaign, and the selling of the national economy savings certificates issued by the Chinese Postal Remittances and Savings Bank, the Hongkong Branch of the National Economy Commission will be formally inaugurated today.

Headed by Mr. Sung Han-chang, General Manager of the Bank of China, and Mr. Kwock Lam, Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, 21 members of the commission will hold their first meeting at the Chinese Merchants Library, Bank of Canton Building, tomorrow afternoon.

General Wu Te-chen, Minister of the Overseas Board of the Central Kuomintang Headquarters, who is in Chinkiang and unable to attend, will appoint a representative to be present at the meeting.

According to Mr. Hsu Chih-chang, deputy director general of the Chinese Postal Bank, the sale of the savings certificates in Hongkong has been very successful.

Various Chinese banks and department stores are acting as local sales agents for these certificates.

### MORE MEN CALLED TO COLOURS

### Over 2 Million Liable

LONDON, May 9 (Reuter)—The King signed a proclamation at the Privy Council today directing that, with certain exceptions, all male British subjects within Britain who have reached the age of 18 and have not reached the age of 37 are liable to be called up for military service.

It is estimated that the number liable for service under the new proclamation exceeds 2,500,000.

No change is contemplated in the present procedure of registering successive age groups in an ascending scale and no one will be actually called to register until he reaches the age of 20.

Pressmen of non-belligerent states were invited to inspect the coastal defences on board the cruiser *Sumatra*.

### ANDERSON ANNOUNCES DEFENCE REGULATION AMENDMENTS: DEATH PENALTY FOR GRAVE CASES OF SPYING, SABOTAGE

#### PRECAUTIONARY

#### MEASURES IN HOLLAND

#### AIRPORT CLOSED TO FOREIGN PLANES

LONDON, May 9 (Reuter)—More precautionary measures are being taken in Holland against possible German aggression.

The airport near Amsterdam, has been closed to foreign planes while the airfield near Groningen has been made available for commercial planes of other countries.

This will only allow them to fly a few miles over Dutch territory.

ROOSEVELT'S POLICY

The Times' Washington correspondent says the certainty prevails here that the retention of the United States Battle Fleet at Hawaii is a factor in President Roosevelt's announced policy of "doing everything we can" to prevent the spread of the war.

This particular instance relates to the present tension in Holland and the determination of the United States to provide the Japanese Government with all evidence possible of the gravity with which the "protective" occupation of the Netherlands East Indies would be regarded.

ANTI-ESPIONAGE LAW

Special to H.K. Daily Press

AMSTERDAM, May 9 (Havas)—Ministry of Justice announced that a second anti-espionage law will be submitted shortly to Parliament.

The law will provide for the deportation to the colonies of persons guilty of political actions which are detrimental to the well-being of the country.

Meanwhile, stringent measures have been taken to crush, at the outset, any possible move by enemy sympathisers in the event of an invasion.

The Military Commander of the region in western Holland visited the principal towns there where he recommended that motorists should use the utmost care when travelling in view of extensive military precautions.

Pressmen of non-belligerent states were invited to inspect the coastal defences on board the cruiser *Sumatra*.

#### PETROL SALE RATION

STOCKHOLM, May 9 (Reuter)—It is officially announced that, from May 14, the sale of petrol will be strictly rationed and will be obtainable only in case of strict necessity.

PARIS, May 9 (Reuter)—Today's communiqué states that in the region east of the Moselle several enemy patrols have been repulsed by our infantry and artillery fire.

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### Chinese Dollar Will Be Maintained Above 3d.

CHUNGKING, May 9 (REUTER)—CONFIDENCE THAT THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT WILL BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN THE VALUE OF THE CHINESE DOLLAR ABOVE 3d. is expressed in a special article in the *China Times*, which is generally regarded as closely associated with Chinese financial circles.

The recent slump in the Chinese dollar, it says, was entirely due to the excess of imports over exports.

"The Chinese dollar still has its purchasing value in interior of China."

"Last August, when the dollar took a sudden slump, many people were deeply concerned over the future of the dollar which, however, steadily recovered. The present slump is a temporary result of the withdrawal of support by the Stabilisation Fund."

"It is fully expected that the rate will be maintained above three pence."

#### CZECHOSLOVAKS TO FIGHT

LONDON, May 9 (Reuter)—

When the first contingent of Czechoslovak troops left for France yesterday, Dr. Benes in a short speech said that they were going to fight with their Allies to help smash the Nazi system of organized barbarism. The task would not be easy, but he believed they would perform their role gallantly. Madame Benes presented the troops with a flag.

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## ADVERTISEMENTS

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

## NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

FIFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING, GREEN ISLAND HANDICAP.

2nd Day—Monday, 13th May.

In view of the number of entries received for the above, it has been decided to divide the race into three sections.

The third section will be race No. 11 and run at 6.30 p.m.

A cash sweep, tickets \$5 each, will be held on this race but "All through" chances will not participate, and tickets can be purchased only at the Race Course during the Meeting.

By Order of the Stewards,  
C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 4th May, 1940.

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## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE FIFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 11th and MONDAY, 13th May, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m. on Saturday, and at 12.30 p.m. on Monday.

The first Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m., on the First Day and at 12.00 NOON on the Second Day. The Tiffin Interval will be after the second race (1.00 p.m.) on the Second Day.

## MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

The temporary green cardboard badges are now cancelled and will no longer procure admission to the Enclosure.

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 per day for Gentlemen and \$3.00 per day for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m., on the First Day and at 10.45 a.m., on the Second Day.

Tiffins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Telephone 21920).

## PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,  
C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 6th May, 1940.

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## HOME SOCCER SCORES

LONDON, May 9 (Reuter)—The following were the results of Regional League football matches played in England and Scotland today:

## ENGLISH

South "D"

Reading ..... 2 Crystal Pal. ... 4

## SCOTTISH

Western

Rangers ..... 3 Clyde ..... 1

Eastern

Raith ..... 5 Dundee U. ... 0

## WHITSUN RACE MEETING

## Two Novice Races Over The Derby Distance

(BY "LAST QUARTER")

Racing enthusiasts are well catered for over the week-end when the Hongkong Jockey Club hold their Fifth Extra Race Meeting, more popularly known as the Whitsun Meeting.

The racing commences tomorrow afternoon when a programme of nine handicap events are down for decision, with chief interest centered on the Whitsun Handicap for Australian Ponies of this season, which has attracted such well known racers as Far View, Sapper, Many Thanks and Australian Diamond. The first saddling bell tomorrow will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the first race held at 2 p.m.

The Whitsun Plate confined to "A" Class China ponies that have won less than \$5,000 in stakes this season will be the main attraction on Monday. The day's racing was originally composed of 10 events, but owing to the large number (49) of entries received for the Green Island Handicap for "C" Class China ponies, the Stewards have decided to divide this event into three sections instead of the customary two. This extra race (third section) will be the last event on the list and a special \$5 Cash Sweep is being conducted in conjunction with it.

On Monday, the first saddling bell will be rung at 12 Noon, the first race commencing at 12.30 p.m. There will be the usual tiffin interval after the second event with the racing resuming at 2.30 p.m.

## LEAD-MINE HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)

This opening event over 1-1/2 miles for Novice Jockeys is not easy to forecast as there are several evenly matched candidates entered. Rose Queen with only 140 lbs. to carry is the first to come to mind as this mare is quite capable of staying the full distance though a very temperamental runner. Rose Evelyn is also quite reliable over distance and if she gives no trouble at the gate sure to be prominent. Hughber, if started here, should also be considered, in view of the pronounced superiority of this year's geldings over the old ponies.

Of the remainder, I think Advancing Time, is about the best closely followed by Boolat Bay. Gladiator is not a bad bet though I do not like him over this distance. Eve of Reason has been left out of my comments as I believe this pony will start late in the day. Guinness Time is in excellent condition and has a very good outside chance, particularly if the going is on the heavy side. Musketeer is another fat pony and will no doubt be difficult to catch but there is an event on Monday which should suit this chestnut right down to the ground and therefore I fancy the owners will keep their candidate over.

## WARWICK FARM HANDICAP

The field will be a small one and I think Rowan, who will probably accept here instead of a later engagement, will win. Springhurst is expected to furnish the favourite with strong opposition. Catterick Bridge ran dismally the last time out but has since returned some exceptionally fast training gallops and must therefore be conceded a good chance of upsetting. Shuttlecock, whose recent success is still fresh in the minds of punters, will find good support, but I do not think this brown is in the same class as Rowan and Springhurst, and besides, has another race later in the afternoon. Australian Prince, Maple Star and Spring Shine are also entered and of these three the first named should run best.

## STONECUTTER'S HANDICAP

The Eve candidates make up practically half the entries in this 1-1/4 mile race for griffins, and their first string, Eve of Reason, should be prominent, together with Gay Star, the top weight. Hughber is also one that needs watching, with Hillsboro Bay an outsider, in view of bottom weight and present fine racing condition.

## WHITSUN HANDICAP

The "classic" of the day is the mile event for Australians of 1940. There should be very little in it at the finish, with the fight for premier honours between Far View, Sapper, Many Thanks and Sparrow. This is undoubtedly the best race of the day with Australian Diamond, another entrant with possibilities. I understand Vanity Fair will have a new jockey, probably Mr. Needa, and this combination is sure to find many followers.

## LEAD-MINE HANDICAP

The first leg of the Daffy Double, and the second race of the afternoon for Novice Jockeys. The distance, 1-1/2 miles, will probably be the cause of many failures and I am at a loss to pick the winner as the two ponies I fancy most are both well known studs and certainly need hard riding—Celtic Star and Scenic View. In view of considerable improvement lately, Commencement Bay should at least secure a place, Strathcannock and Salvage Master have outside chances, while Royal Highness, if she makes up her mind to give of

## SUNDAY MAY 12

BOWLS.—Sam. White Trophy Match, K.B.G.C. v. Recreto A. I.R.C. v. K.B.G.C. Police v. Civil Service, Recreto B. v. Kowloon Docks, Cragengower v. Hongkong Footbal Club, Second Division, K.B.G.C. v. Cragengower, K.F.C. v. Kowloon Tong, Recreto v. Police, Civil Service v. Cricket Club, K.C.C. v. Talkoo.

Third Division, K.F.C. v. Electric Cricket Club, K.F.C. v. Prison Officers, Cragengower v. Hongkong Footbal Club, K.B.G.C. v. I.R.C.

## MONDAY MAY 13

BOWLS.—Sam. White Trophy Match, K.B.G.C. v. Recreto (five rinks at Austin Road and five rinks at Recreto) 3.30 p.m.

CRICKET.—Second Division League play-off, Indian Recreation Club v. Police, Recreation Club (Sookunpoo) 2 p.m.

## MONDAY MAY 13

RACING.—Hongkong Jockey Club's Fifth Extra Race Meeting, Second Day (Happy Valley) 2 p.m.

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## SPORTS &amp; GENERAL

## HIGHLIGHTS IN SPORTS

BY "FILAT"

With the various tournaments and competitions all concluded, except for the oft-postponed Junior League cricket championship play-off between Indian R.C. and Police R.C., the winter sports' season has come to an end.

The various branches of sport have reported a good season which, in all respects, can be termed as one of the most successful, taking into account the political situation which is bound to have some effect on sport. To review the whole season's activities in this limited column would be an impossibility; but there are several events and personalities in sports which are worthy of mention.

There is, I believe, awarded in some countries, a prize for the best individual achievement in sports. If such a prize is offered in Hongkong I would not hesitate, and I am sure sportsmen in general, would support me, in nominating S. A. Rumjahn for it. The selection, I may add, is not based alone on the number of open tournaments that Sirdar has won.

His good sportsmanship has long been known and his indomitable fighting spirit has been admired by spectators and opponents alike, while his charming manners, on and off the field, have always been an encouragement and inspiration to younger players.

Despite his 36 years, the veteran defeated a much younger opponent, Tsui Wai-pui, to win the Open Singles for the fifth time and practically won the doubles on his own when he partnered his cousin, H.D. Rumjahn, to win their 13th title in the last 15 years.

The Cricket League experienced one of its leanest seasons and many games in the Senior Division had to be abandoned in order to close early. H.R.C.C. withdrew from the League and thence, no doubt, had some effect on the tame ending to the season, as Club had always been a leading contender for honours. Kowloon C.C., who won the championship, are to be congratulated. They definitely deserve the honour.

The Junior play-off this Sunday at Sookunpoo promises to be an interesting affair, with the odds slightly in favour of the Indians. I think it will be a case of bowlers versus batsmen but the Indians have revealed a shakiness in the field which may mean victory or defeat for them.

In soccer, the Football Association should be gratified by the results which, despite the season getting off to a late start, saw keen competition throughout. Once again the Chinese showed their superiority in this particular branch of sport and carried off all the major trophies.

South China "A," who retained the Senior Championship, and who have been a dominating force in local soccer in the past few years, were forced to take a back seat. Eastern Athletic Association, a young and enthusiastic team, playing fast and spectacular soccer, stole the lime-light from the champions whom they beat in the Senior Shield final.

Encouraged by their success, Eastern are already embarking on an ambitious tour which will include the Straits Settlements, East Indies, and they even hope to

go as far as India. It is also understood that Eastern are looking for a suitable site to build their own stadium. Whether or not the latter scheme will materialise, they certainly do not lack enterprise, and here's luck to them!

Scores were as follows:—

S. E. (b)

H'cap. 200 yds. 500 yds. 600 yds. Total

S.I. (R) A. C. Chan Scr. 32 34 29 95

Mr. H. J. S. Blake Scr. 29 30 32 91

Sub/Lt. B. M. Bateman 3. 30 30 31 91

A.S.P. (R) D. Lole Scr. 30 31 30 91

Sgt. P. H. Thong Scr. 27 32 31 80

L.A.C. L. R. Hunt 3. 29 33 28 90

Mr. J. Hargreaves Nil 32 28 29 89

L/Sgt. W. Henderson 2 29 29 27 85

Pte. J. Scott 4 27 29 27 83

S. E. (a)

F/Sgt. F. Tollison 5 31 31 28 90

Mr. Pang Shun 8 28 28 28 83

P. C. Bachan Singh 8 28 29 28 83

Lt. D. J. N. Anderson 8 27 27 25 70

F/O. J. Farmer 11 21 23 27 71

Mr. E. Landau Nil 27 24 18 69

Mr. A. M. Prata 10 18 22 23 63

Pte. N. G. Ferreira 13 24 19 20 63

—Winner of Net. spoon. —Winner of Handicap spoon.

Winner of "or" will have his handicap reduced by one point.

## COTTAGE CLUB HUNT

The Cottage Club paper-hunt for "The Flying Dutchman Cup" will be held tomorrow at 4 p.m. The meet will be at Sheungshui-cross-roads.

The Flying Dutchman himself will not fly, as he has broken a wing, but he wishes good luck to all riders in the hunt and he hopes that the best man, or the best lady, will win.

As this will probably be the last hunt, due to the advent of the warm weather, it is hoped that riders will turn out in full force.

Ponies will be drawn for, at the Club at 3.30 p.m. and transport will be provided to the meet.

## U.S. BASEBALL RESULTS

NEW YORK, May 9 (Reuter)—The Boston Red Sox further consolidated their position at the head of the American League baseball table yesterday when they beat the Detroit Tigers, second in the list, by 5-4.

The complete programme was:

## AMERICAN LEAGUE

R. H. E.

Detroit ..... 4 12 1

Boston ..... 5 12 2

Greenberg homered for the Tigers.

Browns ..... 6 10 0

Chicago ..... 10 14 0

New York ..... 4 9 1

Trosky homered twice and Hemley once for the Indians.

St. Louis ..... 8 11 1

Philadelphia ..... 10 13 1

Gallagher homered for the Browns.

Chicago ..... 8 10 0

Washington ..... 3 5 3

## NATIONAL LEAGUE

New York ..... 10 17 2

Pittsburgh ..... 6 12 0

Boston ..... 10 13 1

Cincinnati ..... 4 10 0

Miller homered for the Braves.

Philadelphia ..... 4 9 0

St. Louis ..... 7 10 0

(Suh homered for the Phillies and S. Martin for the Cardinals).

The Brooklyn-Chicago game was postponed on account of rain.





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## Lloyd George Suggests Premier Resigns

LONDON, May 9 (Reuter)—Mr. Lloyd George, in the House of Commons, said that the facts given by Sir Samuel Hoare were no defence of the Government.

"The first instalment of the British forces that went to Norway ought to have been picked men. The Germans had picked men."

"Britain sent a Territorial brigade which had not had much training. That was the advance party of a force which had to accomplish a task upon which the success of the whole force depended."

"We ought to have had combination and combined action between the Army and the Navy. We had neither. We gambled on the chance of getting air bases."

### HALF-BAKED FORCE

"The whole of this vital expedition, which would have made a vast difference to this country strategically, and an infinite difference to our prestige in the world, was made dependent upon this half-prepared and half-baked expeditionary force without any combination between Army and the Navy."

"There could not have been a more serious condemnation of the action of the Government in Norway when they knew perfectly well that the Germans were preparing for a raid on some adjoining country, and probably in the Baltic."

"We are all proud to read of the gallantry of our men. All the more shame that we should make fools of them (Opposition cheers). In my experience of war direction I have never tried to minimise a disaster. You must face facts to restore the position. There is no cause for panic (general cheers) but there is a grave cause for pulling ourselves together."

"You would not rouse the British Empire, as you must, to put forth its strength until you tell it what is really the peril. We need real action and not the sham action that we have had. The petty cash and balance sheet of losses on either side is of no use (cheers). Strategically, we are in a much worse position than before."

### GREATER JEOPARDY

"The greatest, Hitler has been that he has put us in greater jeopardy than his predecessors did in 1914. One strategic advantage we handed over was Czechoslovakia with 1,000,000 of the finest troops in Europe gone. What is the second? You had the Franco-Russian Alliance by which Russia was to come to the aid of Czechoslovakia and there would have been a new war front for Germany."

"What happened? Russian ships are now crossing the Black Sea with oil for the aeroplanes of Germany. And thirdly there is Rumania, which Germany has practically in her hands. If they did not have her a month ago by this policy in Norway we have handed them Rumania."

### NO RIGHT TO CRITICISE

"As regards Spain, I hope my fears about that country would not prove true. Now you have got Scandinavia in German hands. It is no use criticising Sweden. What right have I to criticise them? We promised to rescue and we

## MORE MINISTERS ARE OPEN TO CENSURE

### Mr. H. Morrison Directs Attack On Premier

LONDON, May 9 (Reuter)—Mr. Herbert Morrison, opening the second day of the Debate on the war situation in the House of Commons yesterday, emphasised the gravity of the issues involved and said that if we must be sternly critical about the handling of the events, and refer to certain persons, we must not be actuated by partisan considerations.

"I would sing the praises of anyone instrumental in winning the war," he said. He then went on that the more the Debate proceeds the more Ministers, it appears, are open to considerable censure for the conduct of affairs.

AMAZING ACTION

He complained that Mr. Winston Churchill, who had considerable responsibility for the operations, would be heard last when there could be no comment on his evidence.

Mr. Morrison described the scattering of the Expeditionary Force prepared for Finland as an amazing action. "I wonder whether the Government took its pledge to Norway seriously as an essential part of the war operations, or merely as discharging a moral obligation to protect themselves from criticism," he said.

Mr. Morrison then asked: "when was the Government first informed of the German move against Norway and Denmark?"

### GOVERNMENT CHALLENGED

Immediately following Mr. Morrison's speech the Prime Minister rose—almost sprang—to the Dispatch Box and said:

"The words which Mr. Morrison have just uttered make it necessary for me to intervene for a moment or two at this stage."

"Mr. Morrison began his speech by emphasising the gravity of the occasion. The challenge he has thrown at the Government in general and the attack he has made upon them and upon me in particular makes it graver still."

"Naturally, as head of the Government I accept primary responsibility for the actions of the Government but it is grave not because of personal considerations."

"None of us would for a moment desire to hold on to office for a moment longer than we retain the confidence of this House. But I had warned the House yesterday that this is the time of national danger."

### RELENTLESS ENEMY

"We are facing a relentless enemy who must be fought by the united action of this country. It may well be that it is the duty to criticise the Government. I do not seek to evade criticism, but I say to my friends, and I have friends in the House (loud Government cheers), that no Government can prosecute a war efficiently unless it has public and Parliamentary support."

"I accept the challenge. I welcome it indeed. At least we shall see who is with us and who is against us. I call on my friends to support us in the Lobby to-night."

promised to protect and we never sent an aeroplane to Poland and we were too late in Norway."

"The German occupation of Norway brings German aeroplanes and submarines 200 miles nearer our coast. There was the promise to Poland, the promise to Norway and the promise to Finland. Our emissary is now rubbish in our hands (loud cries of shame from Government supporters and cheers from the Labour benches)."

"Tell me now of one little country that will prepare to stand up to the Nazis upon a mere promise from us. What is the use of not facing facts?"

### PREMIER SHOULD RESIGN

Mr. Lloyd George said that everybody was dissatisfied with the war effort of this country and agreed with the Prime Minister that "we must face the position and face it with the people, and not as personal issues."

In conclusion, Mr. Lloyd George said that the Prime Minister had appealed for sacrifice from a nation which was ready so long as "you give a confidence to them that those who are leading them are doing their best for them."

"I say now solemnly that the Prime Minister can give an example of sacrifice, because I can tell him one thing. There is nothing which would contribute more to victory in this war than that he should sacrifice the seals of office (loud Labour cheers, and Government counter cheers)."

## GENERAL

## Relief Work In China

### MEETING HELD IN LONDON

LONDON, May 9 (Reuter)—At the annual meeting of the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China, Sir Herbert Phillips emphasized the unanimity with which people of every religious body, from Buddhists to Roman Catholics, co-operated in distributing relief. He warmly paid tribute to Sir R. Calder-Marshall, a "tower of strength" to the Fund's executive committee in Shanghai, and also the assistance of many business men, doctors and missionaries.

He said five million dollars were needed between January and June this year and he was sure that Britain, whose generosity was deeply appreciated in China, would continue to help. The secretary, Dr. Gordon Thompson, said the fund had now reached £217,000, over £14,000 being received from last September despite the European War, besides large quantities of materials.

### SHOWER OF BOMBS ON AFRIDI

LONDON, May 9 (Reuter)—The waves of the bombing attacks on H.M.S. Afridi were described by survivors who reached Portsmouth yesterday from the north. The survivors estimated that over 500 bombs were dropped before the Afridi was hit.

The Afridi replied with guns to the attacks which were made in the first place by 40 planes and later by 20. The crew was rescued by warship which went alongside.

The Afridi sank in about 20 minutes and the Captain was the last to leave the ship.

### ALLIED TRAWLERS SUNK

LONDON, May 9 (Reuter)—The Admiralty announced the loss of six naval trawlers during the Trondheim evacuation. Two were sunk after air attacks and four were so damaged by air attacks that it was not considered advisable for them to attempt the North Sea crossing and they were accordingly sunk by British forces.

The casualties among the personnel were slight.

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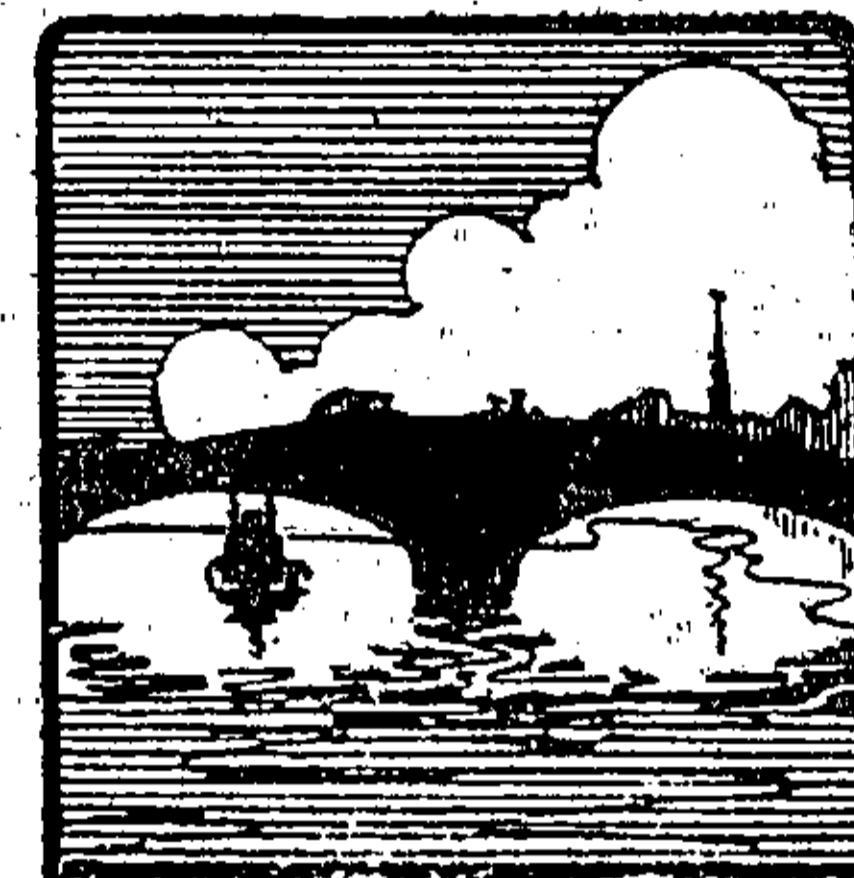
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# POLICE EVIDENCE IN MANSLAUGHTER TRIAL AT SESSIONS

## British Naval Officer Accused: Sequel To Fatal Wanchai Accident

KENNETH DUNCAN BRUCE, 24-year-old engineer officer in His Majesty's Navy, who was charged at the Criminal Sessions yesterday with the manslaughter of a ricksha coolie, LAM SHING-SHI, in a motor accident in Hennessy Road in the early hours of April 4, was cross-examined at length when he gave evidence in the afternoon.

The trial opened before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor. The Crown case was conducted by Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, who was assisted by Traffic Inspector S. C. Saunders. Bruce was defended by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jnr., instructed by Mr. D. Brittain Evans.

Messrs. J. F. Lawrie, V. P. Santos, J. Mar, Charn Hung-ching, B. A. Young, Wong Shiu-wah and J. W. Bundred were called to act as the jury, the first named being elected foreman.

Lam Shing-shi, said Mr. Murphy, was knocked down and killed by a black saloon car in Hennessy Road about 2.30 a.m. on April 4. The case for the Crown was that the car was, at the time, driven by Bruce.

Proceeding, Mr. Murphy said Bruce had gone to the Shatin Club on the previous afternoon with a friend and stayed until about 4 p.m. Whilst there he had drunk one beer and four whiskies.

### APPEARED TO BE SOBER

About 10 p.m. Bruce was in Mac's Cafeteria and there he had a whisky and ginger ale. Three-quarters of an hour later, Bruce was at the Lido at Repulse Bay, where he had a similar drink after which he and some other gentlemen sat down to dinner. Bruce, however, left after consuming only his soup. He then appeared to be sober, according to one witness.

About 1 a.m. a man, in blue uniform who was not identified, entered the To Yuen Restaurant, West Point, and indicated that he desired a drink. He was not served, however, because the licence of the restaurant did not permit the selling of liquor to Europeans. The man in uniform then left.

A ricksha coolie, about the same time, picked up a fare near the restaurant to go to the Nam Ping Hotel in town. As the ricksha was proceeding along Des Voeux Road West, near Western Street, a black saloon car came from behind and struck it, knocking a piece of wood off the mudguard.

Mr. Murphy continued and said that Bruce then arrived at the To Yuen Restaurant, No. 205, Des Voeux Road West, and ordered a whisky and soda. Fifteen minutes later he was served a second drink, shortly after which he joined a party of Chinese at another table, where he was served with a third drink. Bruce and the party left the restaurant about 1.45 a.m.

### IN WHITE JACKET

About 2.30 a.m., said Mr. Murphy, a man, Lam Shu-keung, was walking along Hennessy Road, near Fenwick Road, when he saw a man coming towards him dressed in white jacket and dark trousers. Lam heard the sound of a motor-car behind him and, turning round, saw a black saloon car suddenly go to the wrong side of the road and knock down the man he had previously seen approaching. The man knocked down was Lam Shing-shi, ricksha coolie.

The car did not stop after the accident. The road at the time was dry, and the lighting was good. There were no other cars, or pedestrians, in the vicinity. When the police arrived about 3 a.m., they found the body of Lam, who was dead, lying outside No. 74 and broken glass around the body. An hour later, a black saloon car was found in Tommochy Road, about 700 yards from the scene of the accident and Bruce was discovered asleep in the front seat.

Evidence was then given by witnesses for the Crown.

Liu Sui-yin, interpreter at Wanchai Police Station, said he received a telephone message in the early hours of April 4, and he communicated with Sgt. Fryer.

### BLOOD MARK

Sgt. G. Fryer, of the Traffic Department, said that when he arrived at the scene of the accident, he saw the body lying almost parallel with the curb about two feet away from the pavement. There was a blood mark. He examined the road for marks but none could be seen. Some glass was scattered near the body, and he concluded that it must have come from the headlamp of a car.

He set out to find the car and discovered it parked in Tommochy Road. There was a man sitting



## DEPARTING Y. M. C. A. OFFICIAL

### MR. W. J. ASHTON TRANSFERRED

Mr. W. J. Ashton, Assistant Secretary of the European Y.M.C.A. since June, 1936, when he succeeded Mr. E. F. Selk, leaves for Home today on transfer.

### Y.M.C.A. WORK

Previous to his coming to Hongkong, Mr. Ashton was Secretary of the Y.M.C.A. at Lincoln, England, and had been in Y.M.C.A. work for many years.

Witness said Bruce stated he remembered the accident at Wanchai but that the man who was sitting by him in the car had told him to drive on as it was all right.

### MOST ANXIOUS

Bruce, said Insp. Saunders, seemed most anxious to know what had happened, but could not appreciate how serious his position was.

Witness said Bruce's breath smelt of alcohol when he first saw him and defendant appeared to be in a kind of stupor.

He returned with Bruce to Wanchai Police Station where Bruce was given coffee, and later, when a senior naval officer arrived and asked what he had done, defendant said: "I have killed a man, Sir. I knocked him down with my car."

When charged, Bruce stated he had nothing to say.

Insp. Saunders further stated that he had tested the car and found the brakes to be in good order. The front bumper was pushed back and there was a large dent on the front offside mud-guard.

In cross-examination, Insp. Saunders said Bruce gave him many details of his whereabouts on the day previous to the accident and assisted the police as fully as he could by locating the various places he had been to on that evening.

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## Traffic Cases

A fine of \$5 was imposed by Mr. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Court yesterday on P. Calderara, of Kellar and Co., summoned for failing to report an accident in Tai Po Road on April 17.

Defendant said he had not reported the accident, a collision with a lorry, as he thought it was not necessary to report it, no damage being sustained by either vehicle.

Miss Irene Chan, of No. 202 Cheung Sha Wan Road, was fined \$4 on a summons for allowing her car to remain a longer time than necessary in the Shanghai Street car park.

Evidence was then given by witnesses for the Crown.

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### SENT TO THE SESSIONS

Appearing on remand before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Court yesterday, charged with stealing a gold ring valued at \$17.70 and three receipts, an unemployed youth was committed to stand trial at the Criminal Sessions.

The defendant was alleged to have snatched the money and articles from a widow, Kwok Mui while on board a bus from Queen Mary Hospital.

## GENERAL

### Passengers

#### ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

The following passengers arrived in Hongkong yesterday from the North:

Mr. C. J. Berwick, Mr. W. H. Beckett, Mr. A. P. Blunt, Mr. K. Clough, Mr. F. W. Van der Sloes, Mr. A. K. J. Yusufally, Mr. P. D. Chao, Mr. C. H. Chow, Mr. K. Ho, Mr. Ho Kin-hol, Mr. M. F. W. Jacobsen, Mr. Lee Tch-nee, Mr. V. Ostananda, Mr. W. J. Richards, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Thomas, Mr. W. H. Thomas, Rev. W. B. Albertson, Mr. and Mrs. R. Baker, Miss E. Baker, Mrs. E. Cuthbert, Mrs. M. A. Haines, Mrs. J. E. Wilkins, Master G. H. Wilkins, Master M. J. Wilkins, Mr. Kaku Ka-so, Mr. Lo Cheung-kit, Mrs. Chant Yee-hong.

Master Yung Chu-yeng, Miss S. Ho, Mr. Au Suen-cha, Mr. Chen He-leung-man, Mr. Chen Pan-shen, Miss K. K. Douton, Mr. J. A. Herring.

Mr. Hsu Kien-ko, Mr. M. F. Hsu, Mr. Kao Shao-sun, Mr. Kao Kai-jen, Mr. Lau Chang, Mr. Lau Cheong-foo, Mr. Lee Tze-yuan, Mr. Luang Prasad, Mr. Poon Men-wan, Mr. V. P. Schelkunoff, Mrs. Tang Ho-ling, Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Tipton, Mr. Wan Wai-choi, Mr. and Mrs. Wong Lam, Mr. R. B. Wong, Mr. Wong Yin-yuan, Mr. Wu Sing-chee, Miss B. Y. Yuan.

#### PASSING THROUGH

The following passengers passed through en route to Manila.

Mr. M. K. Jureldini, Miss E. F. Levalle, Mr. R. Moreno, Mr. L. D. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hirsonen, Mr. R. V. del Rosario, Miss J. A. Tyrell, Mr. B. S. Sarisuta, Mrs. T. I. Barwick, Mr. Cham Chio, Mr. Co Sun, Mr. T. T. Kolot, Mr. G. Nelle, Mrs. V. O. Reynolds, Mrs. M. B. Odom, Mr. L. O. Thorson.

#### DEPARTURES

The following passengers left Hongkong yesterday for Singapore and ports.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Walker, Mr. G. L. Torrey, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Walters, Mr. Tjung See-gan, Mr. Louis Ayam.

#### FROM MANILA

The following passengers disembarked at Hongkong yesterday from a Japanese liner from Manila:

Mr. Hitoshi Asilda, Mr. Kuranosuke Oyama, Mr. Edgar Eugene de Chaffoy de Courceilles, Mr. Florencio Reyes, Mrs. Oliva Reyes, Miss Amparo Reyes, Mr. Yotaro Tamura, Mr. Masamitsu Takasaki, Mr. Tasuza Yazima, Mr. Vicente Almario, Mrs. Rosario Pelaez Almario, Mr. Ramon Concepcion, Mr. Elsio Hilda Engemann, Mr. Jorge Alberto Vieira Eteiro, Mrs. Celeste Maria Yvanovich Ribeiro, Mr. Jorge Alberto Vieira Ribeiro, Jr., Mr. Jose M. Rodas, Mrs. Rosario F. Rodas, Mr. Jose L. Rodas, Mrs. Felisa Morales Tanjutco, Mr. Salvador G. Zamora, Mrs. Nelly L. Zamora, Miss Rita L. Zafra, Miss Virginia F. Dayao.

#### FOR SHANGHAI

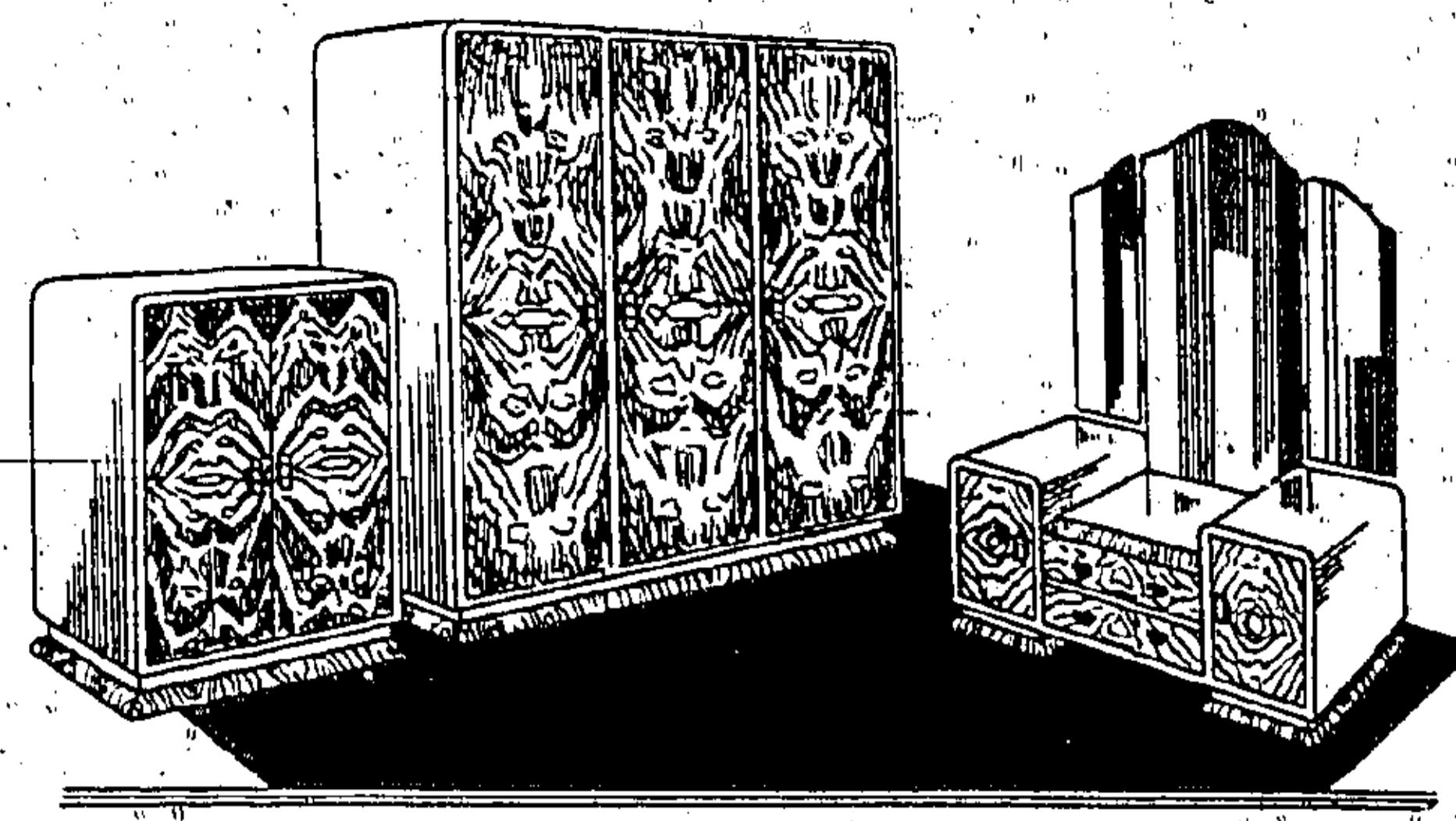
The following passengers passed through the Colony yesterday on a Japanese liner en route to Shanghai:

Mr. Carroll Grinnell, Mrs. Ruth Beding Grinnell, Mr. David E. Grinnell, Mrs. Marguerite Herring, Mrs. Elizabeth Powers Hillen, Miss Hannah Smedley Hillen, Miss Elizabeth Mercer Hillen, Mr. Matsuo Kenmoku, Mr. Takenosuke Kutsuzawa, Mrs. Hisae Kutsuzawa, Miss Makiki Kutsuzawa, Mr. Jun-ichi Kutsuzawa, Mr. Tadao Mizokoshi, Mr. Oliver Evans Nelson, Mr. Toyotaro Miyahara, Mr. Masakazu Tuti-mura, Mr. Shuichi Unno, Mr. Katsuyori Watanabe, Mr. Kikuo Yoshikawa.

Mrs. Frances Madeline Drummond, Mr. Alfred Fischgrund, Mr. Masusaburo Hamanaka, Mr. John E. Hopkins, Mrs. Mildred Elizabeth Wood Hopkins, Master John M. Hopkins, Miss Frances Dorothy James, Miss Gwendolyn May James, Mr. Walter Armstrong Jensen, Miss Stepanka Kacirova, Mr. Potenciano Lessaca, Mr. Angel Vilasco, Monzon, Mrs. Margaret B. Moore, Miss Patricia Lee Moore, Miss Marie Siloway, Mr. Tomotaro Shido;

Mr. Scotti So, Miss Maria Margarete Wagenknecht, Mrs. Annie Joseph Waason, Master Maynard Waason (Junior), Mr. C. Watanakasem, Mrs. Martha Jane Williams, Miss Carol M. Williams, Mr. Tadashi Muroku, Mr. Kiyoshi Goto, Mrs. Harue Hara, Miss Sizuko Hara, Master Mikio Hara, Miss Hoshiko Kawamoto, Mr. Sakuzo Kida, Mr. Akiechi Murakami, Mr. Hakuro Nakashima, Mrs. Mituko Nakashima, Miss Mitiko Nakashima, Mr. Satoshi Sakai, Mr. Kanaburu Sekimoto, Mr. Tomekichi Shibusawa, Mr. Kwanichi Tamashiro, Mr. Iwachiro Tsumura, Mr. Tetsuo Tamanoto.

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party, given on the lawns of her  
residence, at Po Shan Road, yester-  
day, when the opportunity was  
taken for the guests of honour, Mr.  
Evert Barger and Mr. P.R.T. Wright,  
of the British Relief Unit for Cen-  
tral China, to meet leaders of the  
various Hongkong Chinese women's  
organisations, actively engaged in  
war work.

Mme. Wu Te-chen, wife of Gen.  
Wu Te-chen, Minister for Overseas  
Affairs, and herself a very ardent  
relief worker, was amongst those  
invited. Another well-known war  
worker present was Dr. C. Y. Wu, of  
the Chinese Red Cross.

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ment's war policy. And yet,  
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has been of the Government's  
conduct of the British war  
effort to stem the tide of  
Totalitarian aggression, parti-  
cularly with reference to the  
operations in Norway, it re-  
vealed more clearly than it  
has ever revealed before, the  
typical British characteristic  
—the right of free speech and  
frank discussion. In no other  
country in the world—with the  
exception of the United  
States, perhaps—could politi-  
cians have voiced their  
demands, as reflecting public  
opinion, for an immediate  
overhaul of the Government's  
administrative machinery and  
a reorganisation of the per-  
sonnel of a Cabinet, even if  
these demands involved the  
necessity of seeking the  
formation of a new body to  
take its place. This expres-  
sion of the determination of  
the British people to see the  
war through to a successful  
conclusion is, indeed, hearten-  
ing, after the grave, but  
nevertheless, honest admis-  
sions of the causes and effects  
of the failure of what has  
been described as the "half-  
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He was arrested by police while  
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Sgt. Oakley, who prosecuted,  
said that the University had sent  
in a complaint regarding persons  
appearing naked and bathing in  
the nullah and constables were  
posted in the vicinity to chase  
them away.

Mr. Edwards: Who sent in the  
complaints? — The Professor of  
Anatomy.

Mr. Edwards: They don't mind  
seeing a naked body dead, but  
they do mind seeing one alive.

After taking just a sip, he got  
into conversation with a Chinese  
gentleman who was with some  
friends at a table to his left. The  
whisky was then accidentally  
spilt, and the Chinese ordered a  
third for him, said Bruce. This  
he drank. He had been drinking  
five or six years, and mostly  
whisky.

Bruce stated he remained in  
the restaurant about half-an-hour  
to 45 minutes and then left with  
the party, and the Chinese showed  
him how to use chopsticks.

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spilt, and the Chinese ordered a  
third for him, said Bruce. This  
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five or six years, and mostly  
whisky.

Mr. Murphy (cross-examining):  
What do you consider a safe  
amount to drink to drive a car? —  
I have never considered the  
amount, but the feeling.

Witness added that if he felt  
drunk he would never attempt to  
drive.

Further cross-examined, Bruce  
said he first felt affected by his  
headache whilst driving out to  
Repulse Bay. He had had them  
before and had taken pills, for  
them but had no effects. He  
had usually laid down after  
taking them, as he had been advised.

Witness stated he had never  
had an accident with a car before  
this occasion.

The hearing will be continued  
this morning.

RETURNED FROM  
BANISHMENT

Sentence of six months' hard  
labour was imposed on Chan  
Tong, unemployed, when he  
pleaded guilty before Mr. R. Ed-  
wards at the Central Court yes-  
terday to a charge of the breach  
of the Deportation Ordinance.

Chan was banished from the  
Colony for 10 years in 1938.

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of Gloucester Road on Wednes-  
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No one, perhaps, realises the  
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The narrow majority by which  
his Government averted the  
vote of censure is taken as  
indicating that the man in  
the street is not satisfied that  
he can bring about such a  
change in the conduct of the  
Allied war efforts as will pre-  
vent the recurrence of events  
which will have a damaging  
effect, not only on British  
prestige, but on the confidence  
of the outside world in the  
ability of the Allies to achieve  
their goal of liberating Europe  
from tyranny and menace.

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MESSAGES

Appearing before Mr. R. Ed-  
wards at the Central Court yes-  
terday charged with a breach of  
the Defence Regulation, Wan  
Sing, a travelling trader, was  
fined \$4.

Wan was found by police while  
in possession of four letters at  
the Sun Cheung Wharf early yester-  
day morning, while catching  
the steamer to Nam Tau.

Pleading guilty, Wan said that  
he had only been in the Colony  
four days. The letters contained  
messages of family nature.

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Allied war efforts as will pre-  
vent the recurrence of events  
which will have a damaging  
effect, not only on British  
prestige, but on the confidence  
of the outside world in the  
ability of the Allies to achieve  
their goal of liberating Europe  
from tyranny and menace.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN and his Government, to quote

American press opinion, gained

an uneasy reprieve and, as an  
honest man whose strict

adherence to the ethics of

upright and straightforward

dealings has been his only

weakness, Mr. Chamberlain

has already admitted his

difficulties and shouldered the

full responsibility for the

failure of the Norwegian cam-  
paign. Reports of the like-  
lihood of his resignation, al-  
though unconfirmed, are yet

another proof of his honesty.

Attention, therefore, becomes

focussed on the man who

will be chosen to take his

place in guiding the destinies

of the British Empire. The

most popular choice appears

to be the British Foreign

Secretary, Lord Halifax.

As a statesman, Lord Halifax has

commanded respect and con-  
fidence and his judgment on

foreign policy has rarely been

questioned. The question is

whether a man younger in

years and imbued with the

ability of making decisions

quickly in emergencies, is not

available. In the past, Bri-  
tain has had young statesmen

who proved their ability to

take the helm and bring the

country to the proud position

it occupies today. Leaders

like Sir William Pitt and

Charles Fox held this impor-  
tant office with more than

success and, though, condi-  
tions are different today,

Britain still has men of the

same calibre in Mr. Anthony

Eden, whose name is also

mentioned for the Prem-  
iership. The decision which the

country will have to make is

a weighty one and it is one

which will undoubtedly be

considered in every aspect

before the step is taken. In

the circumstances in which

this need has arisen, the Bri-  
tish public can be relied on to

make no mistake in their

choice. Wherever their choice

falls, the assurance they have

demanded will be given.

BRITISH NAVAL OFFICER  
ON TRIAL AT SESSIONS

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Going into the witness-box, Bruce described the events of the afternoon and evening.

Just after the To Tsuen Restaurant in West Point, he said, a ricksha came across his path, and he had to swerve to the left. He was not conscious of having struck it, but a little further on he stopped his car and went back to see if anything had happened.

Mme. Wu Te-chen, wife of Gen. Wu Te-chen, Minister for Overseas Affairs, and herself a very ardent relief worker, was amongst those invited. Another well-known war worker present was Dr. C. Y. Wu, of the Chinese Red Cross.

He then went into the Tai Yuen Restaurant, a short distance ahead. He ordered a whisky and soda and, as he had been suffering from a headache for some little time, he took two pills from his pocket and swallowed them.

He was arrested by police while bathing in a nullah near the Water Works Pump in Pokfulum Road.

Sgt. Oakley, who prosecuted, said that the University had sent in a complaint regarding persons appearing naked and bathing in the nullah and constables were posted in the vicinity to chase them away.

Mr. Edwards: Who sent in the complaints? — The Professor of Anatomy.

Mr. Edwards: They don't mind seeing a naked body dead, but they do mind seeing one alive.

After taking just a sip, he got into conversation with a Chinese gentleman who was with some friends at a table to his left. The whisky was then accidentally spilt, and the Chinese ordered a third for him. This he drank. He had been drinking five or six years, and mostly whisky.

Bruce stated he remained in the restaurant about half-an-hour to 45 minutes and then left with the party, and the Chinese showed him how to use chopsticks.

The second drink was also spilt, and the Chinese ordered a third for him, said Bruce. This he drank. He had been drinking five or six years, and mostly whisky.

## CHURCHILL REVIEWS

## "OUR NUMERICAL DEFICIENCY HAS CONDEMNED US"

## WHY BRITISH FLEET DID NOT GO UP TRONDHEIM FJORD

LONDON, May 9 (Reuter)—Mr. Winston Churchill, replying to the Debate, said that a new issue was sprung upon the House at 5 p.m. and we are being invited to consider all the faults of the Government. A vote of censure is to be taken unexpectedly, with this little notice on the adjournment tonight.

Regarding the Norwegian Campaign, and the war in general, Mr. Churchill said that in this war we had been frequently asked why we did not take the initiative.

The reason for this serious disadvantage of our not having taken the initiative is one which cannot speedily be removed. It was our failure in the last five years to maintain or regain air parity with Germany.

In the last two years, Opposition parties came round and gave great and valuable aid, but the fact remains that we had failed to achieve air parity which was considered to be vital to our security.

Our numerical deficiency in the air, in spite of our superiority in quality both in men and materials, has condemned us and will condemn us for some time to come to a great deal of difficulty, suffering, and danger which we must endure with firmness until more favourable conditions can be established, as assuredly they will be.

It is no use talking about this, war in terms of the last war. Power in the air has greatly affected it, and in some ways has decisively affected the movements of fleets and

## TOOK EXPERT NAVAL OPINION

I am so sorry these things should be so. We, therefore, adopted a submarine blockade as the only method at our disposal and in doing this I followed the opinion of the naval authorities. There is a great deal of difference about being responsible for an order which might lose several valuable ships and expressing opinion without such responsibility.

I had been guided in the advice I gave to the Cabinet by responsible naval expert opinion, therefore we limited our operations in the Skagerrak to submarines.

In order to make that blockade as effective as possible, the usual restrictions which we had imposed on the action of our submarines were relaxed. All German ships, by day or night, were to be sunk as the opportunity served.

## NAVY READY

This statement that I made was most foolishly and grotesquely twisted into the statement that all German ships would be sunk. Nobody can give so absurd a promise as that.

This has been a costly German success. Seven or eight thousand men have been drowned and thousands of corpses had been washed up.

## NO BIG SHIP

Replying to the question as to why did we not send a big ship into Narvik on the first day with the destroyers, Mr. Churchill said the reason was that the only one available was a battle cruiser. We had two battle cruisers and we felt it would be a very great danger to the balance of the Fleet if we had lost a battle cruiser.

The authorities in the Admiralty, when H.M.S. Warspite went to Narvik, were very much relieved to find that no controlled minefields had been laid in the fjord and that no destroyer was lurking in some narrow angle to fire its bouquet of torpedoes.

Things are very different when looked at beforehand and looked at afterwards. What would have been said if the Warspite had been sunk? It was madness to send one of our most valued ships into narrow and congested waters. If you dare and the forfeit is exacted, it is murder of your sailors, and if prudence withholds, you are craven, cowardly, inept and timid.

## AIR ARM WORK

We were asked why did we not go into Bergen, Trondheim and other ports in the first few hours. If troops had not been landed the only object of going up the fjords would be to destroy such enemy destroyers as were there. These were largely destroyed from the air by the Fleet Air Arm.

There is no dispute that our duty was to do our best to help the Norwegians, and for that the capture of Trondheim was the best way. My thoughts had always been fixed on Narvik, for there, it seems, is the path which might lead to some decisive achievement in the war.

and Aandalsnes prevented the landing at those small fishing ports of any large reinforcements and even of artillery and many supplies for the troops landed.

## WITHDRAWAL OR DEATH

It was, therefore, necessary to withdraw the troops or leave them to be destroyed by overwhelming forces. The decision to withdraw was undoubtedly sound (Government cheers) and the withdrawal of these troops was accomplished with very great skill and with very good luck. And the responsible naval, military and air authorities principally concerned, and the War Cabinet, were at every stage united.

Mr. Herbert Morrison, intervening, asked if the naval authorities on the spot at Trondheim were willing and anxious to enter Trondheim and whether their desire was countermanded or not sanctioned by Whitehall.

Mr. Churchill replied: "I not only deny it but I give a strong denial. There were no naval authorities on the spot at Trondheim. No authorities that we consulted differed from the advice tendered by the Chiefs of Staffs and Vice-Chiefs, but the Ministers are not sheltered by the fact that they accepted expert advice.

## GLAD TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY

"I always believed that the Navy could carry troops into Trondheim Fjord and land them to come to grips with the enemy. I would have been glad to take all possible responsibility for the attempt provided it was supported by expert opinion.

But even if we assume that this view is right—that we would be masters at Trondheim or its ruins by April 25—could we have brought to bear a sufficient army south of Trondheim to drive the invader back?

"Even if we had at the present time got 25,000 or 30,000 Allied troops into action on that front, which in view of the enemy's air superiority is highly questionable, such a force would not have been able to arrive in time or be equipped with artillery or anything like equal air support in time."

## IF SWEDEN—

"German communications in the north were incomparably superior to anything we could obtain at Trondheim and the auxiliary landing places in the region. It would have been a costly struggle.

"There are already 120,000 German troops operating in Southern and Central Norway. Although we could have thrown in continual reinforcements, I cannot believe that there was the slightest chance of success between an army based on Trondheim and the German army based on Oslo."

Mr. Churchill added that if Sweden had come to Norway's aid and at her airports at the disposal of the R.A.F. a different position might have been established.

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SIR SAMUEL HOARE

## AIR FORCE SPLENDID

LONDON, May 9 (Reuter)—Taking part in the debate, Sir Samuel Hoare, the Air Minister, said that he proposed to concentrate upon the events of the last month and the part taken in those operations by the R.A.F.

The Germans were in control of all strategical aerodromes in central and southern Norway. That was a critical fact which must never be forgotten when they considered the military operations that subsequently took place.

It meant from the very outset that the R.A.F. was suffering under a handicap as their machines had to fly hundreds of miles backwards and forwards across the North Sea, while the enemy had air bases on the spot.

Sir Samuel praised the R.A.F. men and said that in quality they were a match against any enemy and on reasonably equal terms would take very heavy toll.

Sir Samuel said that two lessons had been learned from the operations in Norway:

1.—The superiority of the British fighter over the German bomber but a strong air power must be met by stronger air power.

2.—The power of the British Air Force striking night after night.

The quality of this force, he said, was unsurpassed but the quantity was not nearly big enough.

The momentum of production was now gathering speed.

## DEBATE ENDS

## NO SPLIT IN COUNTRY

LONDON, May 9 (Reuter)—In winding up for the Opposition, Mr. A. V. Alexander (Labour), paid tribute to the work of the fighting services in the last four difficult weeks in Scandinavia.

In pressing for a change in the outlook and, if necessary, in the composition of the Government, Mr. Alexander said that they were doing this because they knew the feeling in many parts of the country with regard to those forces who were in Norway.

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## NO MISTAKE MADE

In all circumstances the Government did not feel justified in retaining inactive all these forces and mobilising shipping required for other purposes.

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## PARITY WITH GERMANY

## "DEFECTS BOTH IN METHODS AND PERSONNEL" — STRABOLGI

## GOVERNMENT SHOULD HAVE KNOWN TRONDHEIM WAS KEY POSITION

LONDON, May 9 (Reuter)—In the House of Lords yesterday, Lord Strabolgi (Labour) moved a motion at the request of the Leader of the Opposition calling attention to "the conduct of the war generally and particularly to the operations in Norway."

Opening with a tribute to the gallantry and devotion to duty of the Services in Scandinavia, Lord Strabolgi made particular mention of "the magnificent quality" of the airmen from the Dominions.

He contended that there was considerable uneasiness about the Government's conduct of affairs and still more about the possibility of their mending their ways.

The Norwegian operations, he said, were a symptom of a disease which must be treated quickly or become chronic. The disease was that there were defects both in the methods and the personnel of the Government. He said that his party had agreed that we were perfectly right in immediately sending what help we could.

If we failed the victims of German aggression would have no hope whatever or restoration.

We were facing, he said, a far more dangerous challenge than this country had ever met—a challenge which demands every ounce of energy, material, intellectual and spiritual, that this country can summon to its task.

He deprecated the delusion that there was a short cut to victory.

He said he had never disengaged from himself what an immense strain would be imposed on us or that it would largely depend on our capacity to keep steady and marshal our efforts without waste or dissipation of vital energy.

Therefore, he hoped the Government would not be deflected from their main purpose but would act as and when it appeared to them in the light of the best possible technical advice with action best calculated to achieve results.

AMATEUR STRATEGISTS

He would be greatly alarmed if the amateur strategists who were shouting for immediate action had command of affairs.

Nothing would lead to more disaster than to yield to temptation for large scale adventures.

Dealing with Mr. Churchill's new duties, Lord Halifax hoped that the result would be to give valuable assistance in the direction of higher strategy of war.

Replying to questions whether matters of supply would fall within Mr. Churchill's power, Lord Halifax said he did not doubt that Mr. Churchill naturally would be in a position to have any investigation made into any question of supply. He could suggest any improvement in organisation and could bring any bottle neck questions to the Cabinet for solution.

COMMON IDEAL

With reference to the construction of the War Cabinet and a suggestion for a smaller non-departmental body, Lord Halifax said that they all wanted the same thing, namely the despatch of business as efficiently as might be.

He felt that a great deal too much had been made of the dispersal of the Finnish expedition.

There was a very real danger that the apparent simplification would simply introduce another cog into the machine and cause additional delay.

They all had one purpose—winning the war. If it was at any time thought that other men could do the job better, then any member of the Government, as far as he was aware, would be willing to be relieved of a responsibility that could bring no personal satisfaction but which would be only a burden.

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## NO LACK OF VIGOUR

Lord Halifax declared that no charge of lack of vigour or decision could be sustained in respect of the Navy or Air Force.

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Lord Trenchard said that it was extremely doubtful whether the capture of Trondheim would have given us air superiority. It might have made things a thousand times more dangerous.

## RESPONSIBILITY SHARED

Lord Halifax, replying to the Debate, said: "It is not possible

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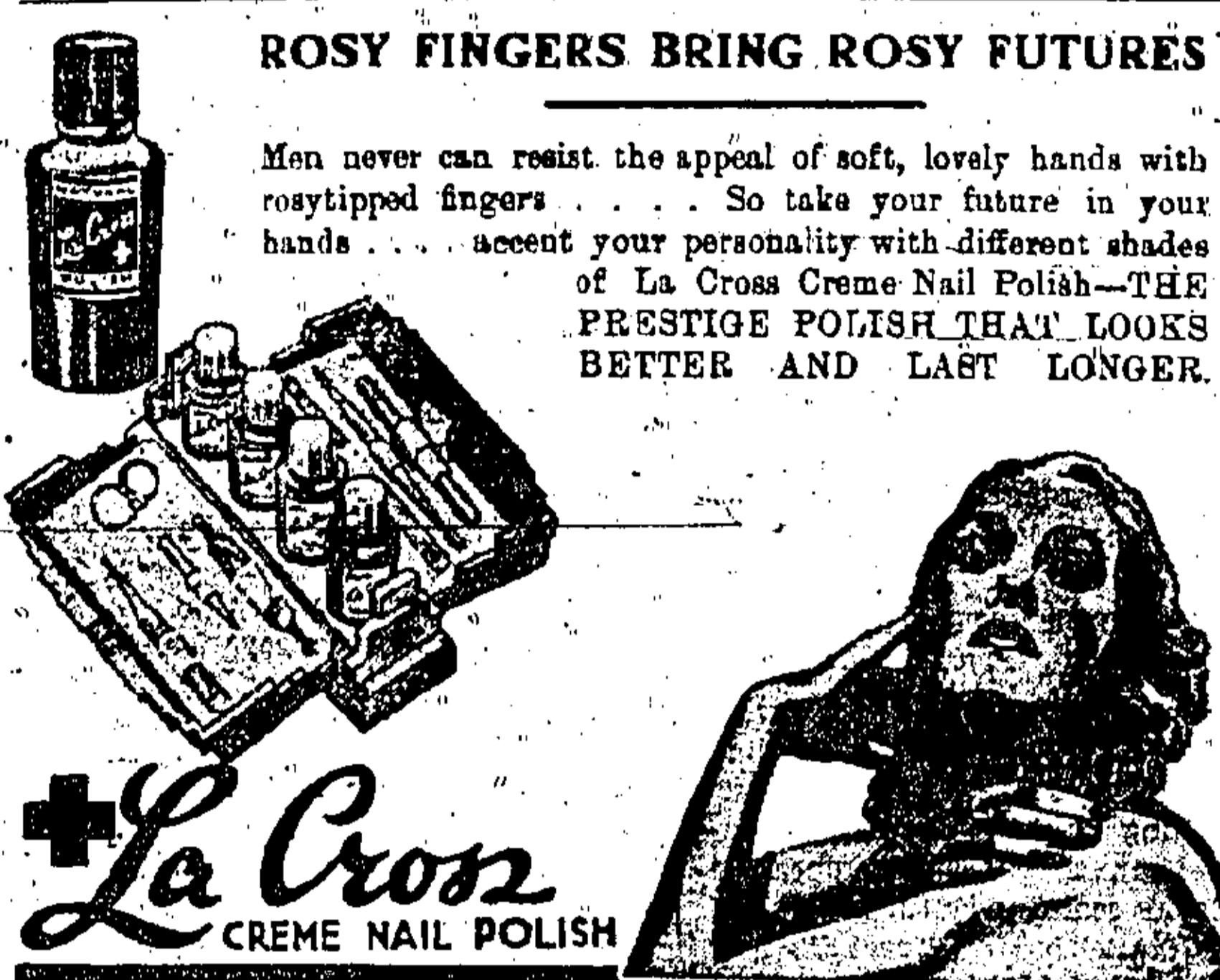
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SONG RECITAL AT THE  
PENINSULA  
HOTELMDME FRANCESCA  
DENIES

HONGKONG MUSIC LOVERS will have the opportunity of hearing Madame Francesca Denies in a song recital at the Peninsula Hotel on May 16.

Gluck's Opera

Madame Denies, who returned from Shanghai last month after a very successful concert with the Municipal Orchestra, will open her programme with the Recital et Cavatine "Cette Nuit," from the first act of Gluck's Opera "Iphigénie en Tauride." This work was enthusiastically received in Shanghai.

Although Gluck was an Austrian and the Opera has been performed in German, Italian, English and French, it was originally sung in French at the Académie de Musique, Paris, in 1779. The French version of the work will be sung at the recital on the 16th.

Sense of Balance

The absence of vocal "fireworks" and the lovely sense of balance between the orchestra and the voice, make this piece a favourite with English audiences, who are generally speaking, not impressed with the gusty, passionate arias of the later school of operatic composers. It is a piece pre-eminently suitable for the concert platform. The later and, perhaps, more melodious school of opera will be represented by arias from the works of Puccini and Massenet.

Groups of English and Flemish songs and two short favourites by Tosti and Dvorak will complete the vocal side of the programme.

Mr. Harry Orr, who will accompany the singer, will contribute two short pieces from Chopin, a Scriabin Impromptu and Liszt's Hungarian Rhapsody No. 8.

Not Squeamish

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Dr. Deyoe said he wasn't trying to scare the ladies, but he urged them to look behind women's fashions and consider their effect on health.

## WOMEN'S INTERESTS

## Round The Shops

WARM AND RAINY WEATHER makes life unduly hard and Hong Kong has had plenty of both during the past few days. Women, in fitting up their summer wardrobes must, therefore, make provision for all such occasions, as the displays in the shop windows of Hong Kong's leading millinery establishments will show.

## Oil Silk Raincoats:

JUST THE THINGS to meet rainy days are on show now at Lane, Crawford's Ladies' Salon. They are a perfectly delightful range of raincoats in oil silk and capes of the same material. The umbrellas, which go to match these capes and coats, are designed most daintily and make a splendid show. Lane, Crawford's are selling these in sets and have priced them most reasonably. Raincoats and capes and umbrellas are also available here in plain and spotted designs.

## Colours in Hats:

HATS ARE THE ORDER of the week at Mayo's in the Arcade. Their new shipment of headgear has exceeded all anticipations, and chic and smart hats are on display in a wide range of colours and styles, as well as in neat and simple white models. Chief attention will undoubtedly be paid to their large assortment of white and black styles with veils—each with its own prettiness and charm. Mayo's also have plain styles and their selection will be found to suit all fancies, with brims either large or small to please every taste.

## Evening Wear:

REALLY DISTINCTIVE evening wear is on display this week at Rivelles, in the Arcade. Designed and modelled in nets, cottons and silks, these evening gowns are a sacrifice at the prices which Rivelles is asking for them. They are the embodiment of the latest styles from abroad and are the most fashionable of the day. Rivelles has also got a large selection of afternoon dresses for the summer in cottons, which are most in demand this season. Slacks and playsuits for the outdoor woman are a special line which is bound to be found most attractive.

## Manila Hats:

HATS STYLED to any design is the slogan which Reme, in the Asia Life Building, has adopted in her business and she certainly carries it out to perfection. Such a variety of forms and shapes is seldom found in one establishment—but then, Reme is out to please everybody. Reme also has a wonderful range of Manila hats: snoods and flowers in her stock and a new lot of headgear to tempt Hong Kong's womenfolk, is due to arrive early next week.

## Vanity Opens:

ANOTHER NEW FASHION HOUSE opened its doors this week—Vanity, at No. 6, Pedder Street. With goods displayed to the best advantage and a management that is out to satisfy the customer to every exacting detail, prospects are certainly bright for Vanity. A large range of new goods is there to attract the customer—beautiful evening gowns, styled and designed on the latest fashion demands, day dresses in fascinating colours and models and a host of other goods at remarkably reasonable prices. Vanity has a special line in cosmetics made by the well-known Jacquet, of New York—cosmetics which cleanse, refresh, nourish and tone the complexion of the most delicate skins. Women callers will also be widely interested in Vanity's selection of perfumes by such famous makers as Faberge and Nata. American cosmetologists have described these perfumes as provocative, alluring and irresistible. The entrance to Vanity's is through N. Lazarus.

## FASHION NEWS

The tiny "mirror" that Ann Rutherford carries isn't a hand-mirror at all—it's a vanity case and is just shaped like the mirror. Covered with cellophane yarn that the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer actress crocheted herself, the vanity is just large enough to hold a tiny pull and comb. Earrings "crocheted" in circles match the vanity, and the starlet uses the set with a white dinner dress.

"There is no such thing as not having any time for exercise," says Florence Rice, and the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer actress cites one instance wherein exercise can be obtained every day. She advises walking up stairs. And when walking, take two or three steps at a time, and it will loosen and stretch tight calf muscles.



THE IDEAL SUMMER WEAR which Ann Morris, M.G.M. player, uses to relax in on a warm afternoon. A red and white striped blouse with tailored white shorts make a charming ensemble.

## Fashion Decrees

SUITS TO COMPLIMENT  
APPEARANCE

SUITS OF THE NEW SUMMER SEASON hold no hidden terrors for the women whose silhouette leans to the short and stout. In seasons past, the selfsame suits that added tremendous flattery to a tall, well-proportioned figure had a way of turning less juno-esque women into sad caricatures.

Innovations:  
Now, thanks to the innovations introduced into suit models, every woman, no matter what her figure, can find a suit to compliment her appearance. The slim tailleur, while it still remains the basic suit style, no longer is the only model available.

Jackets vary from the tiny bolero for the short to long, tunic length for tall women, and between the two extremes is a wide selection of fitted jackets, suitable to every figure variation.

Tailoring, the suits has been softened to add a new feminine appearance. A few hints of military or naval style are sometimes added for contrast.

Gray Model:  
Smart for the wardrobe of half-pint size is a gray dressmaker model. The skirt plain gray and the gray jacket horizontally striped

with white. The jacket, a fitted bolero, stops at the high waist line and two patch pockets of the jacket material decorate the slim skirt front. A double row of buttons closes the bolero front.

For the woman with a tiny waist, there's a hip-length, fitted jacket in satin bound black twill. The waist is tightly buttoned but opens at the neck to reveal a frothy jabot of white lace. The skirt has only a slight fullness. Pin a bright bouquet high on the shoulder and the outfit has the fragile, reminiscing appeal so desired for spring.

## Newest Style:

The newest style of all, the tunic length, is shown in a navy suit. Its four pockets and collar as well as the long row of brass buttons to close the jacket have a military air. White plique brightens the standup collar and the cuffs.

Another longer jacket style is in chalk stripe suiting with the jacket ending well below the hips. Five white buttons close the jacket which is trimmed with two horizontal pockets on the breast.

You'll also find plenum jackets and the other brief styles.

Navy and black are the popular colours with gray close third. Touches of red are used for exciting additions to these colours.

## NEW HATS FOR OLD!

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YOU MAY HAVE an old felt hat pushed away in some cupboard. Here's a simple method of making it into the latest and smartest thing at a very small cost.

## Cellulose Paper:

All you require for it is one sheet of cellulose paper 40in. x 36in., to tone in colour with your old felt hat. Cellophane paper, as it is commonly called, is made in chocolate, blue, green, red, violet, amber, tango and pink. So you can see that you have a wide range to match your old hat. The colourless paper, when worked, looks charming with white.

Take your old felt hat and completely unpick it. Take off all trimmings and the brim. Give the crown a very good brush and clean off dirty marks.

Now take your sheet of cellophane paper and cut it into strips of 2-1/2in. This is very simply done if you fold the sheet in half and slit along the fold with a knife (the fold is 36in. long). Again fold the two pieces lengthways and slit along the fold. Continue doing this until your strips measure 2-1/2in. x 36in.

## Three Strips:

Take three strips of the cellophane and plait them together.

gather fairly tightly so that the width of your plait is about three-quarters of an inch. When you have come to the end of these three strips stick with spirit gum three more strips, one on to each end of the original strips, and continue plaiting until all the cellophane is used up. You will then have a long length of "straw."

Take the end of the straw and join it into a loop sufficiently large to go comfortably round your head, stitching the join with needle and thread. Now work round this loop, stitching the straw to it and just overlapping each row. Use large stitches as small stitches cut the cellophane. Each row should be larger than the last so that the brim will slant out from the first loop. You will want three or four rows and the end of the straw should be finished very neatly.

## Pin Together:

Put on the felt crown and then put the brim on over it at the angle that suits you. Pin them together and then take the hat off. It may be necessary to cut away some of the crown if the felt shows beneath the brim. Stitch the crown and brim together.

Cut a piece of felt from the old felt brim about 2in. by 7in. and tie it in a knot. Point the ends of felt and stitch the knot to the hat. (It does not matter if the strip of felt is slightly rounded and not quite straight.)

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## NEWS OF BELTS

A gay belt may be a life-saver to a forlorn little workday frock and such a life-saver can be made from a length of velvet ribbon. Here is one which encircles an afternoon dress. This is how it should be copied.

Cut a length to fit your waist, then sew press fasteners on. Loop two ends of velvet into a "bustle-bow" for the back, and to complete this Victorian conceit, stitch a couple of large flat flowers (the colour should match the frock) where the knot comes.

Embroidered belts can be pretty—a navy material belt worked with scarlet tulips all in a row like soldiers is amusing, and a dainty piece of work which can be done in one evening. Belts in suede are popular with light frocks. A matching posy of suede flowers pinned at the neck is an attractive idea. Many London shops are selling the two-belt and flower together.



Virginia Grey, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer starlet, in a new spring creation. A tight-fitting skull cap of black felt with two upstanding wired felt ears circled by layers of white silk straw. Pleated embroidery with yarn daisies cascades to a below-the-shoulder veil.

## LAMMERTS' AUCTIONS

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## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by

## PUBLIC AUCTION

on Friday, the 10th May, 1940 commencing at 10.30 a.m. at No. 33, Kimberley Road (2nd Floor) Kowloon.

## A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD-FURNITURE

On View from Thursday, the 9th May, 1940.

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS. AUCTIONEERS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by

## PUBLIC AUCTION

on Friday, the 10th May, 1940 commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at their Sales Room, No. 35, Han-kow Road, Kowloon.

## A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

Comprising:—

Divans, Teakwood and Iron bedsteads, Wardrobes, Dressing Tables, Washstands, Chests of Drawers, Chesterfield Suites, Dinner Wagons, Dining Tables, Chairs, Sideboards, Hatstands, Ice Chests, Desks, Typewriter Tables, Cabinets, Bookcases, Screens, Wardrobe & Cabin Trunks, Camphorwood Trunks, Perambulators, Pictures, etc., etc.

Carpets, Rugs, Mosquito Nets, Curtains, Cushions, Table Cloths, Silver, Brass, E. P. Aluminium, Lacquer, Cloisonné, Glass, Porcelain and Cut Glass Ware, Cutlery, Dinner Crockery, Filters, Curios, Ornaments, Gramophones and Records in Albums, Electric Lamps, Ceiling and Table Fans, Cooking Utensils, etc., etc.

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## A QUANTITY OF BLACKWOOD AND RATTAN FURNITURE

and

2 Radio Sets  
1 Violin  
1 Peru Carpet  
1 Gas Stove  
1 Electric Range "Westinghouse"  
1 Electric Refrigerator "Westinghouse"  
1 Electric Refrigerator "Frigidaire"  
1 Electric Refrigerator "Kelvinator"

On View from Thursday, the 9th May, 1940.

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS. AUCTIONEERS

## HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume Of Business Transacted on Thursday, May 9, 1940.

AS. Watsons 100 \$ 8.00

China Providents 1,000 4.7

H.K. Docks Rts. 400 6.50

H.K. Tramways 200 17.45

H.K. Telephones (N) 550 10.20

Star Ferries 100 64.00

2,550

The total value is \$26,870.00.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from The Liquidator to sell by

## PUBLIC AUCTION

on Saturday, the 11th May, 1940 at 12 o'clock noon

at their Sales Room, No. 2, Connaught Road, Central, Room No. 205.

ONE MOTOR CAR, LICENCE NO. 2842

(This car is at present in Statue Square Car Park, North-west Side).

Terms: Payment on fall or hammer.

LAMMERT BROS., AUCTIONEERS.

## ANGLO-SOVIET TRADE

LONDON, May 9 (Reuter) — M. Malsky called on Lord Halifax yesterday afternoon. Reuter's diplomatic correspondent learns that the conversation deals with the question of resumption of Anglo-Soviet trade.

It is understood that Lord Halifax made certain observations on the last Soviet communication and did not request further information on various matters of detail.

## HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS STOCK EXCHANGE

## SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers Sellers Sales Nominal THURSDAY 9. MAY.

Bank

H.K. Banks 1485

Do. (Col. Reg.) 232

Do. (Loc. Reg.) 232

Chartered Banks 232

Mercantile Bks. "A" 231

Mercantile Bks. "C" 232

Bank of East Asia 775

N. C. & B. Banks 774

Insurances 8230

Canton Insurances 8235

Union Insurances 8235

Underwriters 8231

H.K. Fire 8231

Shipping 8231

Drapers 8230

Stockbrokers 8230

Indo-China (Prod.) 8230

Indo-China (Def.) 8230

Shells 8230

Waterboats 8230

Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc. 8230

H.K. & J. Wharves 8230

Providents 8230

Providents (new) 8231

H.K. Docks C.R.T.S. 8231

H.K. Docks X. Rts. 8231

Do. Rts. 8231

Shanghai Docks & Mining 8231

Kidans 8231

Books 8231

Vegetable Gold Fds. 8231

Hong Kong Mines 8231

Lands, Hotels and Buildings 8231

H.K. Hotels 8231

H.K. Lands 8231

Do. Debentures 8231

Shanghai Lands 8231

H.K. Realine 8231

Humphreys 8231

Chinese Estates 8231

Cotton Mills 8231

Evo. (S.) 8231

B'hai Cottons (S.) 8231

Zoom Hings. (S.) 8231

Wing On Textiles (S.) 8231

House Utilities 8231

Tramways 8231

Peak Trams (old) 8231

Peak Trams (new) 8231

Star Ferries 8231

Do. (new) 8231

China Lights (O) 8231

China Lights (New) 8231

China Lights Rts. 8231

H.K. Electric 8231

Macao Electric 8231

Sandakan Lights 8231

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Telephones (new) 8231

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Canadas 8231

Hopes 8231

Miscellaneous 8231

Dairy Farm 8231

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Ch. F. Farnham 8231

Constructions (old) 8231

Constructions (new) 8231

Lau Crawford 8231

Nanyang Tobacco 8231

Shops 8231

Watsons 8231

Ch. G. B. 1875 G. B. 8231

H.K. Govt. 4% Loans 8231

H.K. Wing On 8231

Shai Wing On 8231

Vibro Filing 8231

Marmans Inv. (Loc.) 8231

Marmans Inv. (H.K.) 8231

Wm. Powells 8231

Banks o' Shanghai 8231

## Chinese Troops Strike Back Heavily

## Japanese Forces In Honan Unfavourably Placed

CHUNGKING, May 9 (Central) — Chinese forces in south Honan, north Hupeh, and south Shensi continue to strike back heavily at the invaders, according to despatches from the front.

With their rear cut off the Japanese east of the Miyang-Tungpeh area in south Honan have been thrown into a precarious position.

In view of their untenable position small enemy groups made a desperate attempt to break through the Chinese lines yesterday afternoon. About 2,000 Japanese succeeded in pushing toward Tungho, about 32 miles west of Miyang. They were, however, beaten and forced to flee in a northerly direction.

In central Hupeh, more than 10,000 Japanese vanguard pushing north from Chungsing, 35 miles west of Kingshan, were intercepted and severely beaten by the Chinese at Huanglungtang, about 30 miles southwest of Tsaoyang.

## MAIN FORCE CHECKED

The main Japanese force of about 5,000 men has been held in check at Changshoutien with its rear severed. One detachment, reaching Tienchihih, southwest of Tsaoyang, has been surrounded.

The Chinese have captured many cases of Japanese shells, handgrenades, and other war implements in this area.

The Japanese in north Hupeh have attacked Tangshenchien, with the support of over 50 tanks without success. Thirty-one of

## MISSION STATIONS IN CHINA

## Commons' Queries On Evacuation

LONDON, May 9 (Reuter) — M. C. Hannan (Cons.) asked in the House of Commons yesterday, how many missionary stations had been evacuated owing to the anti-British movement fostered by the Japanese in Hopei, Shantung, Shensi and Honan, resulting in over 10,000 hospital beds being closed, and whether the Prime Minister will make representations to the Japanese Government that the continued encouragement of the anti-British movement will render impossible the improvement of relations with Japan.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied that according to the latest information, 25 missionary stations had

evacuated from the four provinces, including ten hospitals.

As the result of representations to the Japanese Government, added Mr. Butler, some improvement had recently taken place.

Mr. Hannan: Does the Japanese Government want to improve relations with this country?

No reply was given.

Sir C. G. Gibson (Cons.) asked whether alternative steps had been taken as regards accommodation for mission stations.

Mr. Butler replied that the matter had been taken in hand.

## CHINESE OFFICERS DECORATED

CHUNGKING, May 9 (Central) — The National Government yesterday conferred decorations upon a number of army officers for meritorious services in battle.

General Pang Ping-hsun was awarded the Order of the Celestial Flag of the Second Grade and Generals Sun Tung-hsuan, Ho Chu-kuo and Miao Cheng-lu were awarded the Order of the Celestial Flag of the Third Grade.

## FOREIGN MARKETS &amp; QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE  
CLOSING QUOTATIONS

MAY 9, 1940.

On London:—  
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/8 13/18  
Bank Bills, on demand 1/8 13/18  
Credits 4 months' sight 1.3 1/8

On Shanghai:—  
On demand ..... 440

On Singapore:—  
On demand ..... 53 1/3

On Japan:—  
On demand ..... 86 1/2

On India:—  
Telegraphic Transfer ..... 82 1/4

On New York:—  
Bank Bills, on demand 21 1/4  
Credits, 60 days' sight 21 1/8

On Batavia:—  
On demand ..... 37 7/8

On Paris:—  
Bank Bills, on demand 1085  
Credits 4 months' sight 1140

On Saigon:—  
On demand ..... 108 1/4

On Manila:—  
On demand ..... 40 1/2

On Bangkok:—  
On demand ..... 150

On Sterling Notes:—  
Bank Buying Rate ..... 1/4  
Bar Silver per oz ..... 20 7/8

## Market Report

## FROM ROZA BROS

Silver prices dropped 1/8 yesterday for both deliveries, the quotations being 20.7/8 for Ready and 20.13/18 for Forward. Silver advised a small business done. The market was steady. American Silver was quoted at 34.3/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 402.1/2. New York/London was quoted at 332.3/4.

## Market

## Sterling

There were sellers at 1/2.7/8 May/November, buyers at 1/2.29/32 for any delivery.

## U. S. Dollars

Steady. Opened with sellers at 20.9/16 but business was soon done at 20.11/16 for Cash followed by a small transaction at 20.3/4 for cash. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 20.11/16 May/20.5/8 first half June and 20.1/2 July, buyers at 20.3/4 Cash, 20.11/16 first half June and probably 20.9/16 July.

## Shanghai Dollars

Opened at 439 bu, gradually dropped and towards 1 p.m. business was done at 425 for Spot. There were sellers, probably at 425 for Spot, buyers at 426.

## Shanghai Market

Sterling opened with sellers at 31.1/32 but later firmed up to 31.5/32, buyers probably at 31.1/2 for Spot. U. S. Dollars opened with sellers at 45.8. The lowest rate reported was 4.13/16 sellers for Spot.

## AFTERNOON MARKET

The market was quiet in the afternoon.

## Sterling

The market closed with sellers at 1/2.7/8 May/November, buyers at 1/2.23/24 for any delivery.

## U. S. Dollars

The market closed with sellers at 20.11/16 first half May, 20.5/8 May, 20.9/16 June and 20.1/2 July, buyers at 20.3/4 Cash, 20.11/16 first half June and 20.9/16 first half August.

## Shanghai Dollars

Business was done this afternoon at 426 and 428. At the close there were sellers at 427.

## Shanghai Market

Probable sellers of Sterling at 3.15/32 for Spot.

## Shanghai Exchange

## Shanghai, May 9 (Reuter).

## Official T.T. Rates

London ..... 0/3-1/8  
New York ..... 4-3/8

Japan ..... 18-1/4  
India ..... 17-1/4

Paris ..... 2.39  
Hongkong ..... 20-7/8

## Sellers

Opening ..... Closing  
Spot ..... 0/3-11/32 0/3-15/32  
May ..... 0/3-1/4 0/3-25/34

## U. S. Dollars

Spot ..... \$4-5/8 \$4-13/16  
May ..... 4-15/32 4-11/16

## Market: Quiet but steady.

## Merchant Rates

## Sterling, 0/3-5/32

## U. S. Dollars, \$4-1/2

## Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.

The Equalisation rate was 9-3/4 per cent.

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HONGKONGCOMMODITY MARKET REVIEW  
(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

New York, May 8, 1940.

Previous ..... May 8  
Closing ..... Opening ..... Closing ..... Change  
Buyers ..... Buyers ..... Buyers ..... Buyers

S P O T ..... 37cts ..... 37-1/8 ..... 37-3/8 ..... up 3/8  
JULY-SEPT. ..... 35-5/8 ..... 35-3/4 ..... 36-1/8 ..... up 1/2  
OCT-DEC. ..... 34-7/8 ..... 35 cts ..... 35-1/4 ..... up 3/8

After ruling steady the market became firm.

Previous close Today's close  
buyers buyers Change  
11-5/16 11-1/2" up 3/16

S P O T ..... 11-3/8 ..... 11-1/2" up 1/8  
J U N E ..... 11-7/16 ..... 11-5/8 up 1/8  
JULY-SEPT. ..... 11-3/8 ..... 11-5/8 up 1/8  
OCT-DEC. ..... 11-1/4 ..... 11-7/16 up 3/10

Market firm on covering at price from overseas and the international situation, together with outside buying. Later, the market improved on short-covering and American buying. Sellers were reserved.

NEW YORK. COTTON: Foreign hedging and liquidation was well taken. The tone improved in sympathy with other markets due to fears of a further extension of war. The possibility of a higher loan basis is a stimulating factor.

NEW YORK RUBBER: Fears of an invasion to Holland were reflected in higher rubber prices. Factories were apparent good buyers of physicals and futures. The c.i.f. position is tight.

CHICAGO WHEAT: Further European tension is causing heavy short-covering. There are complaints of rain in the South-West which are lowering the quality. According to Broomhall, the 1940 wheat crop in Europe is expected to be below normal.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 147.74; Today's close, 147.90. Change, up 22.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

High ..... Low ..... Close ..... Close ..... Change  
Prev. Today's

New York Cotton, July ..... 10.25 ..... 10.21 ..... 10.25 ..... 10.23 ..... 0.02 off  
New York Rubber, July ..... 20.06 ..... 19.88 ..... 91.72 ..... 19.95b ..... 23 up  
Chicago Wheat, Sept. ..... 105 ..... 103 ..... 104 ..... 105 ..... 14 up  
Chicago Corn, Sept. ..... 67 ..... 65 ..... 66 ..... 67 ..... 14 up  
New York Hides, June ..... 13.66 ..... 13.57 ..... 13.50 ..... 13.59 ..... 0.09 up  
NEW YORK COTTON Close ..... Opening ..... Closing ..... Change  
May ..... 10.54/54 ..... 10.49/49 ..... 10.55/55 ..... 0.01 up  
July ..... 10.25/25 ..... 10.23/23 ..... 10.23/23 ..... 0.02 off  
July (New contract) ..... 10.40/40 ..... 10.39/39 ..... 10.39/40 ..... 0.01 off  
October ( ) ..... 9.82/83 ..... 9.80/80 ..... 9.83/83 ..... unch.  
December ( ) ..... 9.88/88 ..... 9.65/65 ..... 9.69/69 ..... 0.01 up  
January ( ) ..... 9.81/81 ..... 9.60/60 ..... 9.63/63 ..... 0.02 up  
March ( ) ..... 9.51/51 ..... 9.50/50 ..... 9.53/N ..... 0.02 up  
Spot ..... 10.69, N ..... 10.67, N ..... 0.02 off

Total sales Tuesday:—80,900 bales.

The last notice days for May cotton:—22/5/40.

NEW YORK RUBBER  
May ..... 19.92 ..... 20.35 N ..... 43 up  
July ..... 19.72/73 ..... 19.88/90 ..... 19.95b/99a ..... 23 up  
September ..... 19.22/22 ..... 19.35/40 ..... 19.45/45 ..... 23 up  
December ..... 18.91/92 ..... 19.07/08 ..... 19.05/05 ..... 14 up  
January ..... 18.88 N ..... 19.03/02 ..... 19.04/04 ..... 18 up  
Total sales:—2,600 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT  
May ..... 1051/1051 ..... 1067/1068 ..... 1067/1068 ..... 1 up  
July ..... 1031/1032 ..... 1031/1032 ..... 105/104 ..... 14 up  
September ..... 104/104 ..... 104/104 ..... 105/105 ..... 14 up

Tuesday's sales:—18,900,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN  
May ..... 65/65 ..... 66/66 ..... 66/66 ..... 14 up  
65/65 ..... 65/65 ..... 67/67 ..... 14 up  
September ..... 66/66 ..... 67/67 ..... 67/67 ..... 14 up

WINNIPEG WHEAT  
May ..... 88b ..... 88b ..... 88b ..... 1 up  
July ..... 90 b ..... 90 b ..... 90 b ..... 1 up  
October ..... 921a ..... 921a ..... 921a ..... 1 up

NEW YORK HIDES  
June ..... 13.50/50 ..... 13.50b/65a ..... 13.59/61 ..... 0.09 up  
September ..... 13.80/81 ..... 13.88b/91a ..... 0.08 up  
December ..... 14.05/09 ..... 14.15/15 ..... 14.15/16 ..... 10 up  
New York Official ..... 34-3/4 ..... 34-3/4 ..... 34-3/4 ..... 1 up  
NY-London Cross Rate 3.37-1/2

SILVER MARKET  
LONDON SILVER  
London, May 8 (Reuter).  
Silver—Little Indian selling encountered poor support. Business small. Market quietly steady. In the afternoon, the market was quietly steady, with small buyers at the rate.

Spot, 20-7/8d.  
Forward, 20-12/16d.

BOMBAY SILVER  
Bombay, May 8 (Reuter).  
Market—Quiet. Ofttake 50 bars

Indian Mint Silver  
Ready ..... 60-01  
June 3 Settlement ..... 60-02  
July 2 Settlement ..... 60-06

Calcutta Exchange  
Calcutta, May 8 (Reuter).  
T.T. on Japan, 93-5/8.

India Rupee Paper  
Bombay, May 8 (Reuter).  
Govt. 3 1/2% Rupee, 94-12-0.

BOMBAY EXCHANGES  
Bombay, May 8 (Reuter).  
Opening ..... 1/5-31/32

London ..... 93-5/8  
Japan ..... 93-5/8  
New York ..... 332-1/2

Shanghai ..... 21-1/4  
Hongkong ..... 83-1/2

London Metals Exchange  
London, May 8 (Reuter).  
TIN  
buyers sellers  
£ £

Standard, Cash 255 ..... 255-1/4 Standard, 3 months 252-3/4, 253

Standard, Settlement Price 255 ..... 275, 1/4 to 280-1/4  
Straits ..... 275, 1/4 to 280-1/4

LONDON GOLD  
London, May 8 (Reuter).  
Bar Gold, Fine per oz, 188.

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE QUOTATION

## STOCKS

Last Sale May 8

REUTER'S SERVICE STOCKS

Last Sale May 8

KENNEDY, COPPER ..... 35

LAKEY FOUNDRY &amp; MAC ..... 4\*

LIBBY-Owens-Ford Glass ..... 49

LOCKHEED AIRCRAFT ..... 38

LOWE'S INC. ..... 34

LOT INCORPORATED ..... 34

MACK TRUCK INC. ..... 25

MARTIN, GLEN L. ..... 43

McKESSON &amp; ROBBINS, LTD. ..... 262

MONSANTO CHEMICAL ..... 117

MONTGOMERY WARD ..... 46

NATIONAL AVIATION ..... 142

NATIONAL DAIRY PRODUCTS ..... 173

NAT. DISTILLERS ..... 242

NATIONAL GYPSUM ..... 91

NATIONAL LEAD ..... 204

NAT. POWER &amp; LIGHT ..... 8

NATIONAL STEEL CORP. ..... 65

NATIONAL SUPPLY CORP. ..... 9

NEW YORK CENTRAL ..... 151

NIAGARA HUDSON POWER ..... 51

N. AMERICAN AVIATION ..... 223

NORTH AMERICAN CO. ..... 221

NORTHERN PACIFIC ..... 84

OWENS-ILLINOIS GLASS CO. ..... 61

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PHELPS-DODGE ..... 363

PHILADELPHIA READ. COAL ..... 21

PHILLIPS PETROLEUM ..... 404

PITTSBURGH COKE &amp; IRON ..... 8

PITTSBURGH MANUFACTURING CORP. .....

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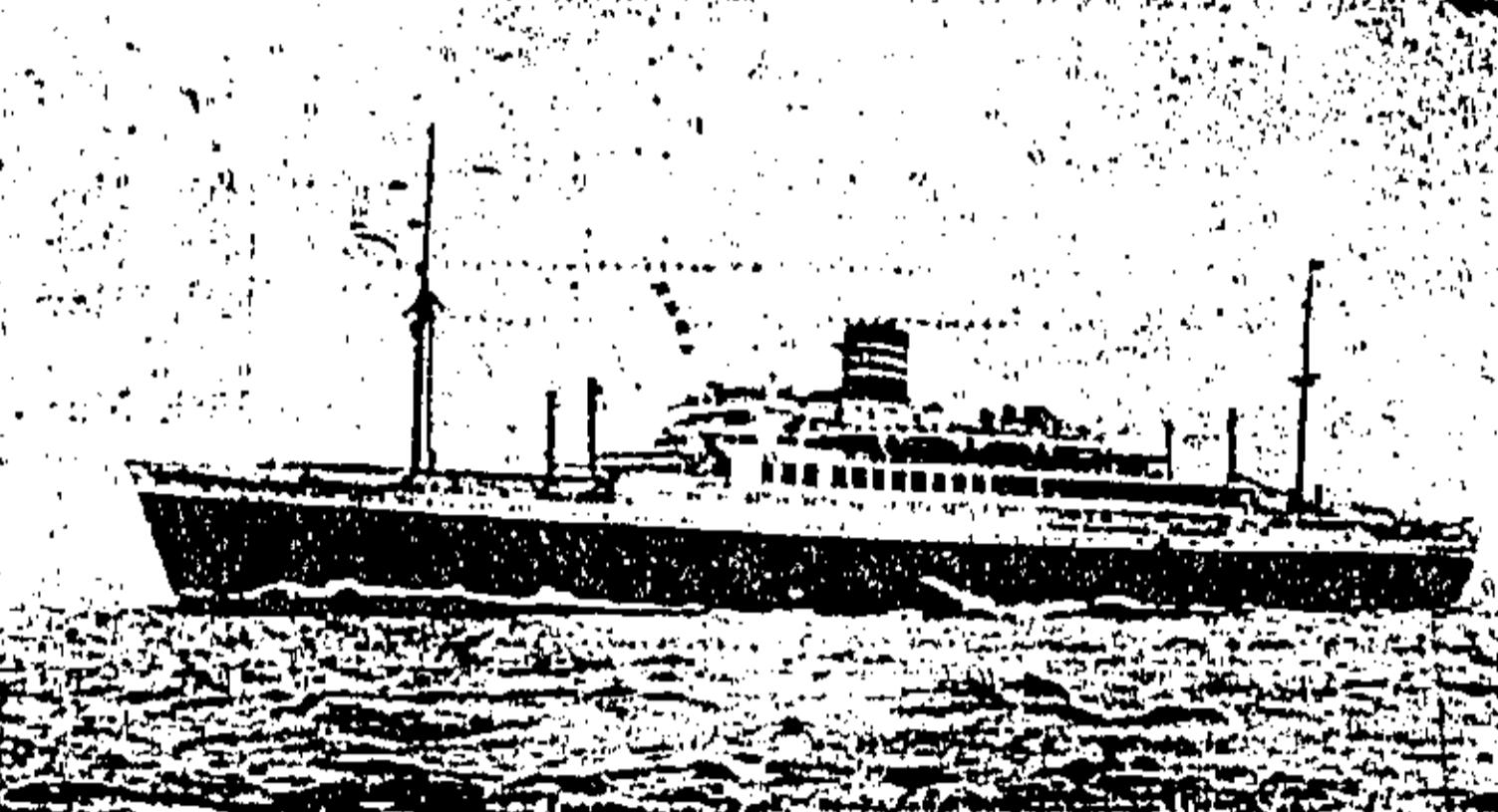
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Storage**

The total storage in Island reservoirs as at May 1, 1940, was 1,397.67 millions gallons as compared with 1,631.15 million gallons last year, according to the water returns for the month of April. Tytam Tuk storage was 778.68 million gallons compared with 808.00 last year.

An estimated population of 950,000 consumed 446.65 million gallons as against 350,000 at an average consumption of 21.2 gallons per head per day.

The rainfall recorded during April was as follows:—Botanical Gardens 8.46 ins.; Tytam Tuk 8.89; Tytam 9.39; Wongneichong 8.32; Pokfulam 7.39; Aberdeen 7.43.

**THE MAINLAND**

A total storage of 1,835.78 million gallons was recorded in the Mainland reservoirs as compared with 1,591.30 million gallons as at May 1, 1939. Jubilee Reservoir had 1,168.87 as against 1,121.33 million gallons last year.

An estimated population of 890,000 consumed a total of 315.00 million gallons as compared with 500,000 for the same period last year at an average consumption of 16.8 gallons per head per day.

**APRIL SHOWERS**

Rainfall recorded during April was as follows:—Royal Observatory 8.20 inches; Shing Mun (No. 1) 10.14; Shing Mun (No. 2) 10.74; Shing Mun (No. 3) 9.99; Shing Mun (No. 4) 9.84; Shing Mun (No. 5) 10.20; Kowloon 11.44; Shekelpui 10.57; Tai Po 12.00; Fanling 8.92; Un Long 9.88; Tai Lam Chung 8.49.

The total rainfall recorded by the Royal Observatory from Jan. 1, 1940, to April 30, was 22,495 ins. as compared with 20,460 ins. during the corresponding period last year.

**GRANT TO FOOD  
KITCHENS**

The Board of Administrators of the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China recently approved the following grants, and cheques have accordingly been sent to the Hongkong Refugee and Social Welfare Council:—

For Food kitchens \$10,000.00.  
For Social Service Centre of the Churches, in connection with their refugee work \$3,000.00.

Members of the Theosophical Society heard an interesting lecture given by Dr. A. Fung on "Destiny and Free Will" in the Manuk Lodge yesterday evening.

**WEATHER REPORT**

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., May 9.  
Barometer (at sea level), 29.83 ins.  
Temperature, 82 F.  
Humidity, 84 per cent.  
Wind Direction, S/W  
Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.

Temperature: maximum yesterday, 84 F.  
Temperature: minimum last night, 77 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today, 0.03 ins.  
Total rainfall since January 1st, 23.90 ins.

Against an average of, 13.50 ins.  
Sunset tonight, 6.53 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 5.46 a.m.

4 p.m., May 9.  
Barometer (at sea level), 29.73 ins.  
Temperature, 83 F.  
Humidity, 81 per cent.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 4  
Maximum temperature, 86 F.  
Minimum temperature, 77 F.

Rainfall, nil.

**Y'S MEN'S CLUB  
TIFFIN**

Continued From Page 2  
largely to her own faults. For instance, Japan occupied the leading place in China's foreign trade, previous to the war in 1937. She was spending large sums on armament, which could be well used in economical fields.

"China could never become communistic, nor could there be a Chinese type of communism—advanced agrarian communism. Japan's fear of communism was not a basic factor, it was used only to camouflage her ambitious programme of continental expansion. All her interests, commercial and political, could have been assured by a commercial treaty and non-aggression pact with China."

China's miraculous unity, under one government and one leader, as well as her reconstruction was the subject of interest at the Conference, according to Dr. Yen, who was of the opinion that this unification would continue after the war.

**THIRD POWERS**

In treating the foreign policies of Third Powers, Dr. Yen said, "Canada must march side by side with Great Britain, and must see eye to eye with the United States."

The American stand is that of continued adherence to the policy of the Open Door and equal opportunity to foreign commerce in China. "Third Power" interests are similar, and would be best maintained by a strong and independent "China," opined the diplomat.

**ISOLATIONISM**

Dr. Yen's first impression of Isolationism in the United States was disappointing. However, in the United States there is a tremendous public interest and desire to know more about China, the Americans being the greatest people for moral and intellectual improvement.

**SYMPATHY FOR CHINA**

There is a profound sympathy for China in the United States. A survey shows that 95 per cent favour a moral embargo, and, regret at the sale of war materials to Japan. Congressional measures against Japan and the boycott of silk are advocated by certain groups in America.

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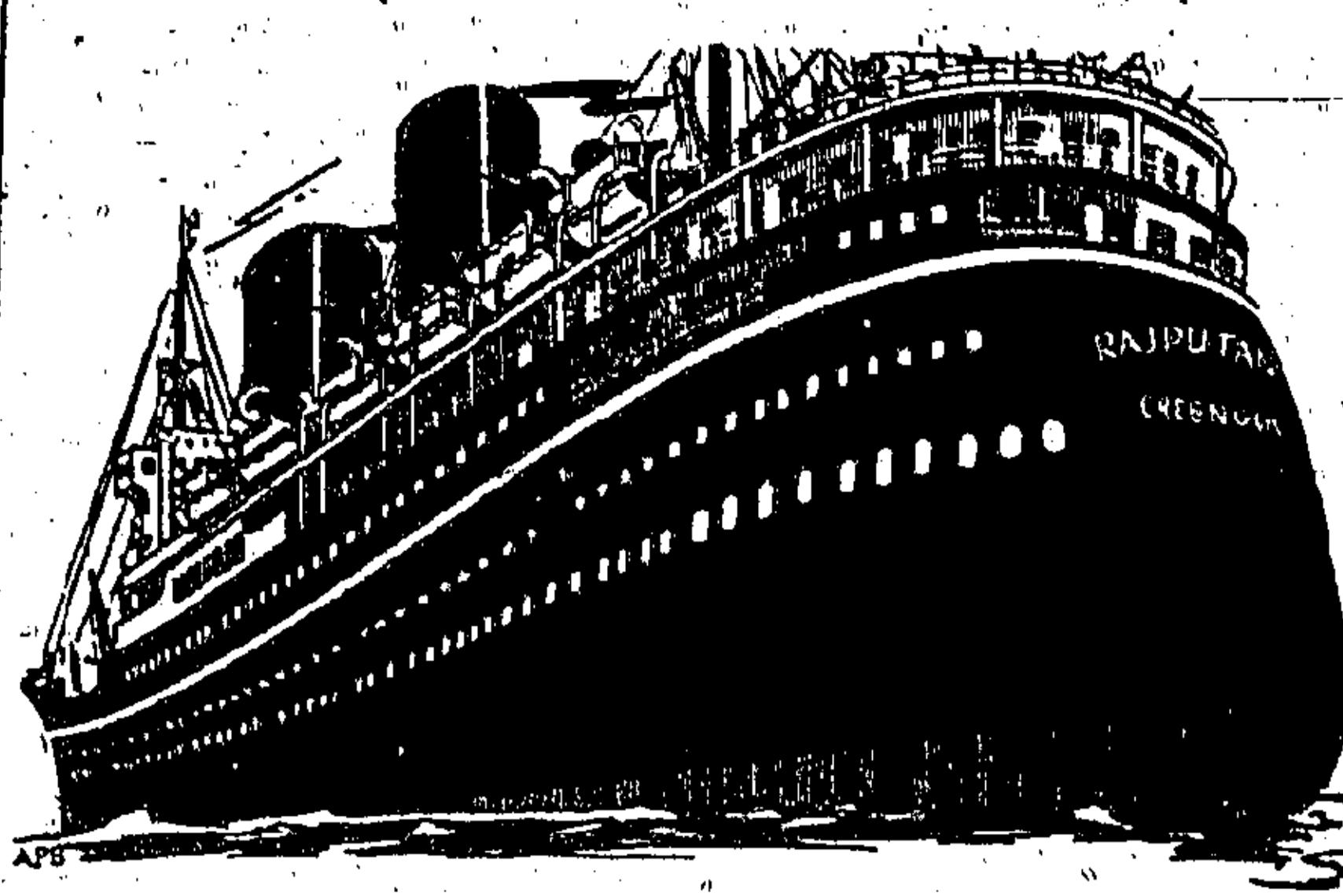
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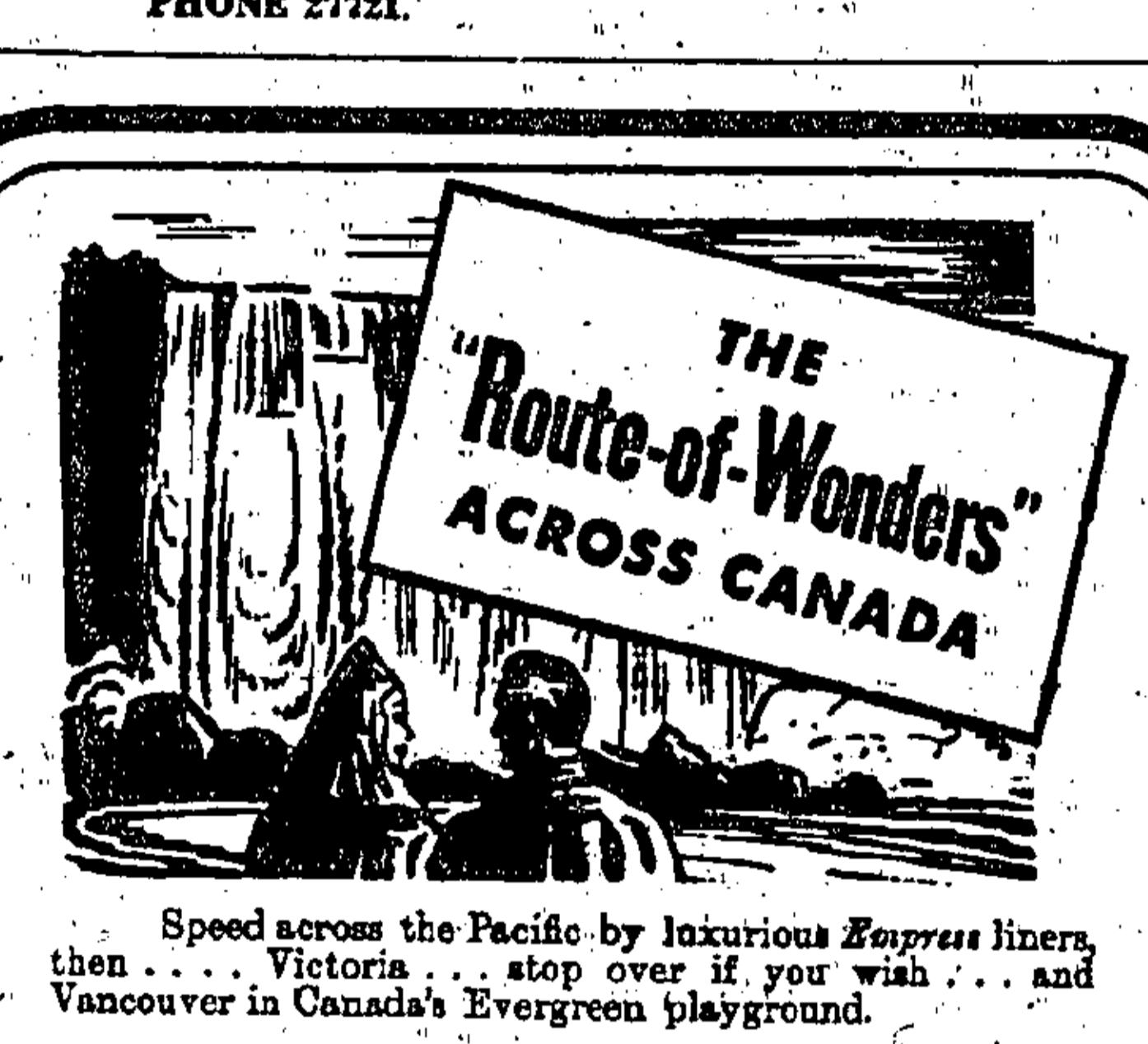
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